

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
SAN ANTONIO DIVISION

ALEK SCHOTT, §
Plaintiff, §

VS. §

JOEL BABB, in his individual § CIVIL ACTION NO.
and official capacity; § 5:23-cv-00706-OLG-RBF
MARTIN A. MOLINA III, in his §
individual and official §
capacity; JAVIER SALAZAR, in §
his individual and official §
capacity; and BEXAR COUNTY, §
TEXAS, §
Defendants. §

ORAL DEPOSITION OF

AARON VON MULDAU

As 30(b)(6) Representative of Bexar County

JULY 17, 2024

ORAL DEPOSITION of AARON VON MULDAU, produced
as a witness at the instance of the Plaintiff(s), and
duly sworn, was taken in the above-styled and numbered
cause on July 17, 2024, from 9:31 a.m. to 3:42 p.m.,
before Molly Carter, Certified Shorthand Reporter in and
for the State of Texas, reported by machine shorthand, at
the Law Offices of Charles S. Frigerio, 111 Soledad,
Suite 465, San Antonio, Texas, pursuant to the Federal
Rules of Civil Procedure.

Page 2		Page 4	
1	A P P E A R A N C E S	1	Exhibit 27 181
2			K-9 Deployment Detail Report
3	FOR THE PLAINTIFF(S):	2	Exhibit 46 162
	Ms. Christen M. Hebert	3	Internal Affairs Investigation Report
4	INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE	4	Exhibit 53 22
	816 Congress Avenue, Suite 970		Bexar County Sheriff's Office
5	Austin, Texas 78701	5	Organizational Chart
	(512) 480-5936	6	Exhibit 54 136
6	chebert@ij.org		Babb Interdiction Training Documentation
7	Mr. Joshua A. Windham	7	and Certifications
	INSTITUTE FOR JUSTICE	8	Exhibit 55 149
8	901 North Glebe Road, Suite 900		6/26/24 Response to Grievance
	Arlington, Virginia 22203	9	
9	(703) 682-9320		Exhibit 56 13
	jwindham@ij.org	10	Notice of 30(b)(6) Deposition to Bexar
10			County
11	FOR THE BEXAR COUNTY DEFENDANT(S):	11	Exhibit 57 57
	Mr. Charles S. Frigerio	12	Bexar County Citation Data Excel
12	Mr. Hector X. Saenz		Spreadsheet
	LAW OFFICES OF CHARLES S. FRIGERIO P.C.	13	Exhibit 58 122
13	111 Soledad, Suite 465		Bexar County Sheriff's Office Manual of
	San Antonio, Texas 78205	14	Policy and Procedure
14	(210) 271-7877	15	
	csf@frigeriolawfirm.com		Exhibit 59 133
15		16	Conversation #32 from Cell Phone Examiner
16	FOR THE DEFENDANT(S) AARON VON MULDAU:	17	Exhibit 60 196
	Mr. Blair J. Leake (via Zoom)		6/21/23 Emails Re: Tickets, with
17	WRIGHT & GREENHILL, PC	18	Attachment DepBabbCiteQ1Cy2022.pdf
	4700 Mueller Boulevard, Suite 200	19	Exhibit 61 197
18	Austin, Texas 78723		Citations and Warnings from 1/10/2022 to
	(512) 476-4600	20	3/30/2022
19	bleake@w-g.com	21	Exhibit 62 203
20			Organized Crime Division Phone List
21	ALSO PRESENT:	22	Exhibit 63 204
	Sergeant Pedro Gamboa	23	Order Granting Plaintiff's Motion to
22	Sergeant Benjamin Olvera		Compel
	Sergeant John Turack	24	
23		25	
24			
25			

Page 3		Page 5	
1	I N D E X	1	THE REPORTER: We are on the record.
2		2	AARON VON MULDAU,
3	Appearances 2	3	having been first duly sworn, testified as follows:
4	AARON VON MULDAU	4	E X A M I N A T I O N
	Examination by Ms. Hebert 5	5	BY MS. HEBERT:
5		6	Q Good morning. I'm Christie Hebert and I
6	Signature and Changes 220	7	represent the Plaintiff, Alek Schott, in this case.
7	Reporter's Certificate 221	8	Today we are joined by several people. This is my
8		9	colleague, Josh Windham.
9		10	Your Counsel, the County's Counsel, Charles
10		11	Frigerio, is with us.
11		12	We have Molly, the court reporter, and she is
12	EXHIBITS	13	going to take down everything you say today.
13	NUMBER DESCRIPTION PAGE	14	We are also joined by -- I wrote this down
14	Exhibit 5 148	15	because I want to make sure I've got everybody's name
	3/16/22 Incident Detail Report	16	right.
15	Exhibit 8 165	17	Well, I'll just go by memory. Officer Turack?
16	SPEARS Incident Summary: BCS220059233	18	SERGEANT TURACK: Yes, ma'am.
	Re: Alek Joseph Schott	19	MS. HEBERT: Officer Olvera?
17	Exhibit 10 184	20	SERGEANT OLVERA: Yes, ma'am.
18	3/16/22 Incident Detail Report (with	21	MS. HEBERT: And Officer Gamboa?
	redactions)	22	SERGEANT GAMBOA: Correct.
19	Exhibit 12 58	23	MS. HEBERT: And I apologize if I don't get
20	3/16/22 Citation/Warning	24	everybody's rank.
21	Exhibit 14 121	25	THE WITNESS: They're all sergeants.
	Bexar County Sheriff's Office Manual of		
22	Policy and Procedure (as of 8/3/21)		
23	Exhibit 16 156		
	6/12/23 Request for Investigation, and		
24	Report Documents		
25			

Page 6	Page 8
<p>1 MS. HEBERT: All sergeants. That's helpful.</p> <p>2 Q (By Ms. Hebert) And what is your rank, sir?</p> <p>3 A Captain.</p> <p>4 Q I just want to make sure I address you</p> <p>5 correctly. So that's everybody we've got in the room.</p> <p>6 We're going to have the usual stipulations</p> <p>7 here. By appearing here today, you're waiving any</p> <p>8 objections or defects in your deposition notice.</p> <p>9 And then by appearing here today, you're also</p> <p>10 waiving any objections to Molly's qualifications as our</p> <p>11 court reporter.</p> <p>12 A What do you mean by waiving my -- for</p> <p>13 deposition notice?</p> <p>14 MR. FRIGERIO: Yeah, we'll just -- we're not</p> <p>15 objecting to her as a court reporter.</p> <p>16 THE WITNESS: Oh, okay.</p> <p>17 Q (By Ms. Hebert) You're not objecting to her as</p> <p>18 a court reporter and you're not objecting to the notice</p> <p>19 of the deposition as deficient.</p> <p>20 A No, I'm here voluntarily.</p> <p>21 Q You're here, right. Or on behalf of the</p> <p>22 County.</p> <p>23 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>24 Q What is your full name?</p> <p>25 A Aaron Andrew von Muldau.</p>	<p>1 that's not true. Part of my duties as the executive</p> <p>2 officer for the Sheriff's Office, I represent the County</p> <p>3 in all civil and disciplinary proceedings that have</p> <p>4 passed the Loudermill. So I testify quite often in</p> <p>5 discipline hearings and investigations against the</p> <p>6 agency.</p> <p>7 Q Okay. Thank you. Have you ever had your</p> <p>8 deposition taken before?</p> <p>9 A Yes.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. How many times would you estimate?</p> <p>11 A Two to five.</p> <p>12 Q Okay. So sounds like you're pretty familiar</p> <p>13 with how a deposition goes in general.</p> <p>14 A It's been a long time, so if you want to go</p> <p>15 over the rules, that would be fine.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. Have you ever testified on behalf of</p> <p>17 Bexar County before?</p> <p>18 A I have.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. And you understand that you are under</p> <p>20 oath today?</p> <p>21 A I do.</p> <p>22 Q And you swore to tell the truth, correct?</p> <p>23 A I do.</p> <p>24 Q And you understand that being under oath here</p> <p>25 in Mr. Frigerio's office before Molly, the court</p>
Page 7	Page 9
<p>1 Q And are you here today testifying on behalf of</p> <p>2 Bexar County?</p> <p>3 A Bexar County Sheriff's Office, yes, ma'am.</p> <p>4 Q And Bexar County, therefore, on top of --</p> <p>5 A Yes.</p> <p>6 Q -- the Bexar County Sheriff's Office?</p> <p>7 A We fall under them.</p> <p>8 Q And before I go on, I want to go over a couple</p> <p>9 of housekeeping matters. Everybody who may testify today</p> <p>10 might listen in and -- so we don't have to repeat this</p> <p>11 multiple times. Have you ever testified under oath</p> <p>12 before?</p> <p>13 A Yes.</p> <p>14 Q Okay. And when did you testify under oath?</p> <p>15 A Lots of times.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. Can you tell me about that?</p> <p>17 A I've testified under oath as an officer, as a</p> <p>18 witness in criminal case proceedings. I've testified as</p> <p>19 an officer under civil proceedings. I've testified as a</p> <p>20 supervisor. I've testified numerous times as an</p> <p>21 investigator, different roles under investigations. And</p> <p>22 the last time, I can't actually recall when I've</p> <p>23 testified. It's been a while.</p> <p>24 I've been a supervisor or a mid level or higher</p> <p>25 level supervisor since 2014. So -- oh, you know what,</p>	<p>1 reporter, is the same oath as if you were in a courtroom</p> <p>2 before a judge?</p> <p>3 A I do, ma'am.</p> <p>4 Q It's important that we have a clear record</p> <p>5 today. So that means it's important for me to ask clear</p> <p>6 questions. So if you do not understand a question that I</p> <p>7 ask, please let me know.</p> <p>8 And then by contrast, it's important that you</p> <p>9 give clear, verbal answers. So please do not nod your</p> <p>10 head or say uh-huh or huh-uh, because that's very</p> <p>11 difficult for the court reporter to capture on the</p> <p>12 record. And I'll do my best to help you navigate that</p> <p>13 process. Can you agree to do that?</p> <p>14 A I understand.</p> <p>15 Q Also, one thing that is a little bit</p> <p>16 challenging is, please do not start answering a question</p> <p>17 before I finish asking it. And I'll do the same for you,</p> <p>18 I'll try to avoid interrupting you. I'll let you finish</p> <p>19 your answer. It's not quite a natural conversation,</p> <p>20 because, you know, sometimes you know where the other</p> <p>21 person is going and you want to just kind of jump in. So</p> <p>22 we'll do our best to take a pause. Is that okay?</p> <p>23 A I understand.</p> <p>24 Q Otherwise, Molly -- as Blair likes to say,</p> <p>25 Molly will throw a stapler at us.</p>

Page 10

1 If you do not know the answer to a question, it
2 is okay to say so. But if you do know the answer, you're
3 required to provide it. And if you do not know the
4 answer to a question, I will try to ask you and help --
5 ask you to help me remember to ask -- to identify who the
6 right person is to answer that question for the County.
7 Understand?
8 A Understood.
9 Q The County's attorney, Mr. Frigerio, may state
10 an objection. That does not mean that I've asked a bad
11 question. You still have to answer the question, unless
12 Mr. Frigerio instructs you not to answer.
13 Mr. Frigerio is just stating an objection on
14 the record so that if we want to use the answer to the
15 question or the question later, Mr. Frigerio could argue
16 to the Court that the question was improper. Do you
17 understand?
18 A I understand.
19 Q If you would like to take a break, have a
20 drink, or just getting tired, just let me know and we can
21 take a break. I only ask that you ask to take a break
22 after we finish a question. So not, not while a question
23 is pending. You understand?
24 A I understand.
25 Q We're going to look at some documents today.

Page 11

1 And you have the right to read those documents in their
2 entirety and understand them. And if you need to take
3 more time with a document, we can take a break, again.
4 I'm going to call your attention to specific
5 parts of a document, just to expedite things, so we're
6 not here asking every question about the document ever.
7 But again, it is your right to read the document in its
8 entirety. Do you understand?
9 A I understand.
10 Q And that goes for kind of the entire
11 conversation here. I'm not looking to trick you or trap
12 you. I'm looking to ask you questions, understand the
13 answer, and get clear answers on the record. Do you
14 understand?
15 A I understand.
16 Q Is there any reason why you are not able to
17 give your fullest and best testimony today, such as you
18 took an impairing medication?
19 A No.
20 Q Did you have any alcohol this morning?
21 A No, ma'am.
22 Q Okay. And are you generally feeling
23 clear-headed to testify?
24 A I am.
25 Q We're going to talk a lot about Bexar County

Page 12

1 today. And can we agree when I say "the County," I'm
2 referring to Bexar County?
3 A I'm going to assume that you -- my
4 understanding when you say Bexar County is the umbrella
5 of the County.
6 Q Right.
7 A If you want something specific from the
8 Sheriff's Office, you will delineate that saying
9 specifically for the Sheriff's Office.
10 Q Sure. And when -- can we agree that when I say
11 "the Sheriff's Office," I mean the Bexar County Sheriff's
12 Office?
13 A Yes, ma'am.
14 Q And can we also agree that when I say
15 "Sheriff," I'm referring to the position of the Sheriff
16 of Bexar County? Can we agree to that?
17 A Yes, ma'am.
18 Q Just trying to create like a shorthand so I
19 don't have to every time I ask a question say Bexar
20 County, the Sheriff's Office of Bexar County --
21 A I --
22 Q -- and the Sheriff of Bexar County.
23 A I understand.
24 Q I'm going to show you an exhibit.
25 MS. HEBERT: Can you get Exhibit A for us? And

Page 13

1 we're going to mark this as Exhibit 56.
2 MR. FRIGERIO: I've got one, Josh.
3 MR. WINDHAM: You do have one?
4 MR. FRIGERIO: Yeah.
5 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Have you seen this document
6 before?
7 A I have.
8 Q Do you know what it is?
9 A I do.
10 Q What is it?
11 A This is to compel a -- requesting a deposition
12 of members. This one specifically is -- was directed
13 saying, you know -- I originally saw this, I believe,
14 with Susan Bowen. But we are -- this is -- these are the
15 things that you are going to be referencing for my
16 deposition for the Sheriff's Office.
17 Q Sure. And have you reviewed the subject matter
18 that starts on Page 1 and runs to Page 3, topics?
19 A Are you talking about --
20 Q The bottom of Page 1.
21 A -- that says 1, 2, 3, 4 -- those?
22 Q Runs through 10, yes, sir.
23 A 10? Yes, ma'am, I have.
24 Q Okay. And you understand that you are here
25 today to testify as Bexar County's representative on

Page 14

1 these topics, unless there's another person in the room
2 that needs to be designated as the person to speak about
3 those topics?
4 A I do understand that.
5 Q Okay. And that means that the County
6 designated you as its representative for the purpose of
7 providing testimony on these topics. You understand
8 that?
9 A I do.
10 Q And I know that testifying on behalf of a
11 county can be kind of awkward. But since you're
12 testifying on behalf of the County, we'll generally try
13 to make sure and make clear that your answers are on
14 behalf of the County and not just you personally. Do you
15 understand that?
16 A I do understand.
17 Q Okay. And other than speaking with Bexar
18 County's attorney, Mr. Frigerio, did you do anything else
19 to prepare for this deposition today?
20 A No.
21 Q Okay. Did you review any documents?
22 A For this deposition?
23 Q Yes, sir.
24 A I did not.
25 Q Okay. Did you review any videos?

Page 15

1 A No.
2 Q Did you have conversations with anyone other
3 than Mr. Frigerio? And I want to be clear, I'm not
4 asking about your attorney conversations, but did you
5 have conversations with anybody else?
6 A Concerning the deposition and the case?
7 Q Yes.
8 A I have not.
9 Q Any -- about any topics that you would be
10 expected to testify about today?
11 A Not -- not any topics that I was expected to
12 testify.
13 Q Okay. And did you bring any documents with you
14 to today's deposition?
15 A I did not.
16 Q Okay. Let's start with just the preliminaries.
17 What is your current position with the Bexar County
18 Sheriff's Office?
19 A I am -- I promoted to the rank of captain and I
20 am the executive officer. So I wear multiple hats. The
21 main part of my job is to work with administration for
22 the two assistant chiefs in regards to discipline
23 matters, lawsuits, discovery, things like that.
24 In addition, I have command over the public
25 safety communication center of dispatch. I also have

Page 16

1 command over the academy administration, not the
2 day-to-day and not what they're teaching, but how they
3 operate as a structure.
4 Q What does that mean? I'm sorry, I don't
5 understand.
6 A I deal with all their supervisors, making sure
7 the supervisors get along and do what they're supposed to
8 be doing.
9 Q I understand. Okay.
10 A I don't -- I don't devolve into what they're
11 teaching, their -- I make sure that their licensing and
12 their compliance is up to date and that things are being
13 done the way they need to be done. But I don't deal with
14 like classes and teaching and stuff like that.
15 Q Understand.
16 MR. WINDHAM: Just for the record, somebody did
17 just enter the room.
18 MS. HEBERT: Ah, yes.
19 MR. SAENZ: Sorry.
20 MS. HEBERT: Can you state your name for the
21 record?
22 MR. SAENZ: Hector Saenz.
23 MS. HEBERT: Hector Saenz just joined us today.
24 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. I want to ask generally
25 about the Sheriff's Office. How many peace officers does

Page 17

1 the County employ?
2 A What is your definition of peace officer?
3 Q I mean, as I understand it, there's a peace
4 officer license.
5 A Correct.
6 Q How many officers have a peace officer license?
7 A In law enforcement, I believe approximately 567
8 to 600. I'm kind of fuzzy with the numbers.
9 Q Sure.
10 A And then in detention, with POs, I think it's
11 about 280 -- 250 to 280.
12 Q And that latter number, 250 to 280 are the
13 folks who work in the detention center?
14 A Yes. They are assigned -- they are fully
15 licensed, commissioned peace officers through the
16 Sheriff's Office that are assigned to the detention
17 center.
18 Q Sure. And how many officers would you estimate
19 go on patrol?
20 A On patrol? Okay. I'm not trying to be
21 obstinate. What is your definition of patrol?
22 Q Sure. Go out on the streets and are patrolling
23 in various capacities.
24 A Enforcement units?
25 Q Sure.

Page 18	Page 20
<p>1 A About 250.</p> <p>2 Q And you'll have to bear with me. I'm not as up</p> <p>3 on the jargon --</p> <p>4 A No, no, but that's why --</p> <p>5 Q Sure.</p> <p>6 A When I ask the question, because the Sheriff's</p> <p>7 Office operates kind of funky. We have a Patrol</p> <p>8 Division.</p> <p>9 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>10 A But I also have numerous enforcement units. So</p> <p>11 in other depositions, some people clarify the difference</p> <p>12 and some people say "I want everything."</p> <p>13 Q Sure.</p> <p>14 A So that's why I'm asking.</p> <p>15 Q So approximately 250 officers go out on the</p> <p>16 streets in some capacity or another?</p> <p>17 A Right. I know we've added some positions this</p> <p>18 last budget cycle, but the way they were added I haven't</p> <p>19 really kept up with the exact numbers, which is why I'm</p> <p>20 not -- I can't give you today it's this many. I know I'm</p> <p>21 within 90 percent, so --</p> <p>22 Q Within 90 percent of this case is fine. Just</p> <p>23 an estimate is generally fine.</p> <p>24 A Yes, it's about 250, 275.</p> <p>25 Q I'm not going to do a gotcha and then tomorrow</p>	<p>1 A We do not have the staffing to carry out a 24/7</p> <p>2 operation. So we supplement that by putting deputies and</p> <p>3 officers on call. So there are people, like myself or</p> <p>4 supervisors that have specialty -- specialty --</p> <p>5 specialties that are then given the opportunity to take a</p> <p>6 marked unit patrol car home.</p> <p>7 Like mine is unmarked, but I have all the</p> <p>8 equipment a patrol car would have for the most part. I</p> <p>9 don't have some of the traffic equipment like meaning I</p> <p>10 don't carry a radar unit, because they are expensive. If</p> <p>11 I make a traffic stop, it's based on law and probable</p> <p>12 cause and those things, but it's not necessarily</p> <p>13 utilizing the exact same equipment. But for the most</p> <p>14 part it's close.</p> <p>15 These officers are put on call -- on a call</p> <p>16 status. And when they are needed on their off time, then</p> <p>17 they are recalled and brought back and that's what that</p> <p>18 vehicle is utilized for.</p> <p>19 Q I understand. And you mentioned specialties,</p> <p>20 officers with specialties getting patrol cars. Can you</p> <p>21 explain what specialties get a patrol car -- or a</p> <p>22 take-home patrol car? Excuse me.</p> <p>23 A They're -- it just depends on what your -- your</p> <p>24 job functions. Like we have currently a TAG unit, and</p> <p>25 they only -- we've got two kind of different shifts. You</p>
Page 19	Page 21
<p>1 it's actually 261 and --</p> <p>2 A Right.</p> <p>3 Q Don't worry about that. I'm just trying to get</p> <p>4 a general estimate of what the lay of the land looks</p> <p>5 like. How many officers or what percentage would you</p> <p>6 estimate of those officers who do patrol make traffic</p> <p>7 stops?</p> <p>8 A That make traffic stops? I would say they all</p> <p>9 have the capability of making traffic stops.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. And what percentage or what number of</p> <p>11 those officers make traffic stops as part of their daily</p> <p>12 duties?</p> <p>13 A Okay, I'm trying to understand what you're</p> <p>14 asking me. So they --</p> <p>15 Q I understand that the officers all have the</p> <p>16 capacity.</p> <p>17 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>18 Q Who is charged with making a traffic stop?</p> <p>19 What number, what percentage of the officers who are on</p> <p>20 patrol it's part of their job duty?</p> <p>21 A All of them.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. And can you explain the term "take-home</p> <p>23 patrol car"?</p> <p>24 A I can.</p> <p>25 Q Would you mind explaining it?</p>	<p>1 have your daylight TAG, and then your gang -- which is</p> <p>2 split up into gang unit, covert. And then you have</p> <p>3 nighttime, which is street crimes, which goes after</p> <p>4 violent offenders.</p> <p>5 They both work under different grants,</p> <p>6 different other task force. So they usually work an 8-</p> <p>7 to 10-hour shift. And then if we have gang violence or</p> <p>8 something like that, or we have a critical incident --</p> <p>9 because patrol is limited. We don't have just that many</p> <p>10 patrolmen. We use -- to call these people in to help</p> <p>11 cover when we do have a critical incident, so we're</p> <p>12 not -- we can still function and carry out the mandates</p> <p>13 constitutionally that we're given. And these officers</p> <p>14 will then supplement those.</p> <p>15 Another unit would be traffic. We only have a</p> <p>16 total of, I think, about 18 people assigned to traffic,</p> <p>17 or 18 positions. There are some openings right now. But</p> <p>18 you have your motor unit and then you have your DWI</p> <p>19 enforcement unit, and they have two commercial motor</p> <p>20 vehicle guys. And you also have one or two aggressive</p> <p>21 unit drivers. I don't know how many, you know, the exact</p> <p>22 makeup, but it's like that.</p> <p>23 So if we have a major crash overnight and -- or</p> <p>24 even during the day, that these units will then come in,</p> <p>25 supplement, because they have the training and expertise</p>

Page 22	Page 24
<p>1 to map a crime scene or map a crash scene or -- people</p> <p>2 like with my unit, we deal with all videos and stuff like</p> <p>3 that. So when there is a critical incident, we send a</p> <p>4 team out there to not only show the administrators and</p> <p>5 the investigators on scene immediately what the body</p> <p>6 camera or video has shown, but we also capture it and</p> <p>7 preserve that video immediately so nothing disastrous</p> <p>8 happens to it.</p> <p>9 Q I understand. And who makes the decision on</p> <p>10 which officers get a take-home patrol car?</p> <p>11 A The Sheriff.</p> <p>12 Q I'm going to show you another exhibit. We've</p> <p>13 previously introduced this exhibit as Exhibit 53. Mine's</p> <p>14 going to be in color; yours is not. I'm sorry about</p> <p>15 that. Just the version that we previously introduced is</p> <p>16 not in color.</p> <p>17 MS. HEBERT: Let me give Charles a copy.</p> <p>18 MR. FRIGERIO: Okay.</p> <p>19 MS. HEBERT: Charles, this is the same thing</p> <p>20 from yesterday.</p> <p>21 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Can you tell me what this is?</p> <p>22 A This is the organizational chart that I've</p> <p>23 provided.</p> <p>24 Q And there are a couple of pages. Would you</p> <p>25 mind just glancing through it?</p>	<p>1 A (Reviewing document.) It's kind of hard to</p> <p>2 read because of the gray scaling. It does appear this</p> <p>3 is -- this appears to be the document that I provided.</p> <p>4 So yes, in 2020, that does appear to be correct.</p> <p>5 Q Okay. And just generally, can you tell me on</p> <p>6 this organizational chart what groups or what sections</p> <p>7 make traffic stops, as part of their daily duties? And I</p> <p>8 know that everybody has the capacity to make a traffic</p> <p>9 stop.</p> <p>10 A Right.</p> <p>11 Q In fact, Sheriff Salazar said that he likes to</p> <p>12 make traffic stops.</p> <p>13 A He does.</p> <p>14 Q So if you can just point me to generally who is</p> <p>15 charged with making traffic stops as part of their</p> <p>16 duties.</p> <p>17 A So I'm trying to figure out the best way to go</p> <p>18 about doing this. So East Patrol and everything under</p> <p>19 East Patrol --</p> <p>20 Q When you say "East Patrol," are you referring</p> <p>21 to that east section on the far right-hand side?</p> <p>22 A Yes, it's under -- it's under the Law</p> <p>23 Enforcement Bureau --</p> <p>24 Q Sure.</p> <p>25 A -- far left, once we follow the tree, East</p>
Page 23	Page 25
<p>1 A Okay.</p> <p>2 Q Let me know when you're ready.</p> <p>3 A Okay.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. The first page -- and I believe the</p> <p>5 number at the bottom is BC 6036. Do you see that?</p> <p>6 A I do.</p> <p>7 Q These numbers at the bottom are what's known as</p> <p>8 Bates labeled. You probably have dealt with that</p> <p>9 a million times. Just numbers that attorneys put on so</p> <p>10 you can reference all the documents.</p> <p>11 A I'm familiar.</p> <p>12 Q Okay. At the bottom is BC 6036.</p> <p>13 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>14 Q And what is the date on the bottom left side of</p> <p>15 this page?</p> <p>16 A Nobody told me to bring my glasses.</p> <p>17 It looks like it's March 16th, 2020.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. And --</p> <p>19 A Maybe 18th. I don't know. I can't --</p> <p>20 Q Well, let's see. I think it says March 18th,</p> <p>21 2020.</p> <p>22 A I agree.</p> <p>23 Q And does this organization chart accurately</p> <p>24 reflect the organization of the Sheriff's Office as of</p> <p>25 March 18th, 2020?</p>	<p>1 Patrol division.</p> <p>2 Q Okay.</p> <p>3 A So A shift, B shift, C shift.</p> <p>4 Q Oh, I see it. Okay. I see it.</p> <p>5 A The --</p> <p>6 Q East Patrol division. So A, B, C.</p> <p>7 A It's not the whole division though.</p> <p>8 Q Okay.</p> <p>9 A It's A, B and C shift. It is under Court</p> <p>10 Services branch, which is a break-off. It would be the</p> <p>11 Security and Transport Unit.</p> <p>12 Q Sure.</p> <p>13 A Then we move over to the next branch, which is</p> <p>14 West Patrol. All of those units would fall underneath</p> <p>15 it. Under the CID branch, you would have, let's see.</p> <p>16 Back then, I don't remember -- I don't think we had the</p> <p>17 breakout then. Where is Traffic? East section.</p> <p>18 Criminal Investigations, General Investigations, Property</p> <p>19 Crime, Asset Forfeiture, Narcotics --</p> <p>20 Q For me, I see Traffic Law Enforcement under</p> <p>21 Community Readiness --</p> <p>22 A Okay.</p> <p>23 Q -- and Training division.</p> <p>24 A I'll get to that.</p> <p>25 Q Okay.</p>

Page 26

1 A I'm just trying to get all this. So it's East
2 Patrol, all the way down under Court Services. The only
3 one under Court Services is Security and Transport. All
4 of West Patrol. At that time I'm not seeing anything in
5 CID that would normally -- on a day-to-day basis, as far
6 as their units.
7 We go to Community Readiness. Starting with
8 the left branch, I don't think there's anything on that
9 side that you would say would be in their normal duties.
10 Q And when you refer to the left branch under
11 Community Readiness --
12 A I'm sorry, it's actually not that. But if you
13 look right here, so you have this little branch that
14 comes here.
15 Q Sure.
16 A This is all the administration, so it doesn't
17 look like any of these enforcement officers are.
18 Q Understood.
19 A But under Strategic Operations, you would have
20 SCORE, the Tactical Response Section, Traffic Law
21 Enforcement Section. That looks to be, based on this --
22 I mean, the Adult Detention Center, their perimeter, I
23 don't know if it's broken out. But that might be under
24 their transport. They have officers that patrol one or
25 two blocks around the jail and that they -- they've

Page 27

1 issued tickets before.
2 Q Okay.
3 A But for the most part -- oh, then you go over
4 to Operations. Where's Canine? Canine, I didn't see
5 them broken down somewhere.
6 Q I think I see them under Operations division,
7 Special Operations, towards the very bottom.
8 A Okay. So SCORE, Tactical Response -- if you're
9 seeing them, I'm not, because it's not on my --
10 MR. FRIGERIO: Over there.
11 A No, that is for the detention. That's
12 different. But they don't have -- the Detention Canines
13 are in the detention center.
14 MR. FRIGERIO: Okay.
15 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay.
16 A We have a Canine Unit, and for some reason -- I
17 know it's here. It's just everything's kind of running
18 together. But Canine also does a big portion of traffic.
19 Q Okay. So I guess generally, I'm going to try
20 to summarize that. The East -- so the folks who do
21 traffic stops as part of their duties, that's East Patrol
22 division, the A, B, C sections.
23 A Uh-huh.
24 Q And then the Security and Transport Unit under
25 the Court Services piece.

Page 28

1 A Yes.
2 Q In the West Patrol division, that's Section --
3 A Shift section, B Shift section, C Shift section.
4 A Yes.
5 Q And then under the Criminal Investigations
6 Division, there's nothing in there where they're charged
7 with doing --
8 A At that time.
9 Q At that time, correct?
10 A Yes. In 2020, yes, ma'am, I don't -- I'm
11 looking at the units. I'm sorry, I know it sounds -- it
12 seems like I'm a little bit discombobulated, but we put
13 all these things together, so sometimes I've got to look
14 at the document, because --
15 Q I understand. I understand. And then the --
16 on the other side, in the operations side, some of the
17 folks in the detention may occasionally do a traffic
18 stop.
19 A Yeah. The only ones that would have it as part
20 of their normal duties would be the perimeter officers.
21 And there's usually like two per shift, maybe one to two
22 per shift.
23 Q Understood. And the Canine Unit is not, as far
24 as we can tell, is not on this organizational chart and
25 they would also have a duty to --

Page 29

1 A Yes.
2 Q -- do traffic stops?
3 A Which is odd, because it should be here.
4 Q That's okay. Let's look at another page.
5 A Oh, but did you go over the Strategic
6 Operations, SCORE, Tactical Response?
7 Q I did not. Thank you.
8 A Traffic.
9 Q And I missed the SCORE Unit, Tactical Response,
10 and Traffic Law Enforcement Section under the Community
11 Readiness Division. They also do traffic stops; is that
12 correct?
13 A Yes.
14 Q Okay. I'm going to flip to the other side of
15 this, or the next page.
16 A Okay.
17 Q And this, at the bottom you'll see BC 6037.
18 Did I read that correctly?
19 A I do.
20 Q And what's the date at the bottom of this? I'm
21 going to say --
22 A April --
23 Q Just to try to save your eyes, does it say --
24 A April 21st, 2022.
25 Q Okay, thank you. It says April 21st, 2022?

Page 30	Page 32
<p>1 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>2 Q And does this chart accurately reflect the</p> <p>3 organization of the Sheriff's Office on April 21st, 2022?</p> <p>4 A It does. Yeah, this is what we're currently</p> <p>5 built out as.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. And I'm going to ask you the same</p> <p>7 question here. What units, what officers have making</p> <p>8 traffic stops --</p> <p>9 A So --</p> <p>10 Q -- as a part of their daily duties?</p> <p>11 A I'll try to make this easier. From left to</p> <p>12 right, we'll start with the first triple tier, which is</p> <p>13 Adult Detention Center. Their perimeter -- again, they</p> <p>14 still have a -- they still have those guys. Their</p> <p>15 perimeter -- which might be under their transport. They</p> <p>16 have just a very handful of guys that do that. Under the</p> <p>17 Operations, no.</p> <p>18 Professional Standards, obviously not. Let me</p> <p>19 make sure there's nothing in there. There's nothing</p> <p>20 under the Professional Standards and Development.</p> <p>21 The Court Security, or Court and Judicials, we</p> <p>22 do have, again, a small contingent of two or three</p> <p>23 perimeter officers that enforce the County laws downtown</p> <p>24 around the County buildings --</p> <p>25 Q Understood.</p>	<p>1 Q And who would know where the Canine Unit falls?</p> <p>2 A Sergeant Olvera.</p> <p>3 Q Okay.</p> <p>4 MS. HEBERT: Charles, how do you want to do</p> <p>5 this? Do you want to, like as questions come up --</p> <p>6 MR. FRIGERIO: Do you want to just ask him</p> <p>7 right now?</p> <p>8 MS. HEBERT: -- we put him under oath and then</p> <p>9 ask questions?</p> <p>10 MR. FRIGERIO: Sure, if you would.</p> <p>11 MS. HEBERT: Okay. I guess we'll do that.</p> <p>12 Sergeant Olvera -- Molly, will you administer the oath</p> <p>13 for Sergeant Olvera?</p> <p>14 THE REPORTER: Can we go off the record for a</p> <p>15 second?</p> <p>16 MS. HEBERT: Sure.</p> <p>17 (Discussion of the record.)</p> <p>18 THE REPORTER: We're back on the record.</p> <p>19 A After consulting, they fall under the Special</p> <p>20 Operations branch.</p> <p>21 Q (By Ms. Hebert) And by "they," who are you</p> <p>22 referring to?</p> <p>23 A The Canine Unit falls under the Special</p> <p>24 Operations.</p> <p>25 Q Okay. Thank you.</p>
Page 31	Page 33
<p>1 A -- parking, things like that. But it's a very</p> <p>2 small contingent.</p> <p>3 And then under the Patrol Division, basically</p> <p>4 everybody under Patrol does it. Now, the night</p> <p>5 commander, obviously that is a commander, and so he's</p> <p>6 like me, yes, I have the capability. Do I do it every</p> <p>7 day? No. But the Sheriff does too, so it just is</p> <p>8 what -- you know, propensity is that they would do it.</p> <p>9 But East Patrol, West Patrol all do it.</p> <p>10 Reserve does not. SCORE, yes. EOC does not.</p> <p>11 Under CID, you have the Organized Crime. You</p> <p>12 have the Texas Anti-Gang Unit would be one of them.</p> <p>13 Special Enforcement Unit would be another. Special</p> <p>14 Operations Unit would be another. Under major crimes,</p> <p>15 extraditions, fugitive apprehension, homicide, property</p> <p>16 crimes. And then -- so there has been a move currently,</p> <p>17 but the Traffic Safety section would also be responsible.</p> <p>18 Again, I'm not seeing where Canine falls. But</p> <p>19 the Canine Unit could be under the Special Enforcement --</p> <p>20 they might have moved them under the Special Enforcement</p> <p>21 I'm sorry, I don't know. Things kind of move around a</p> <p>22 little bit. But --</p> <p>23 Q Okay.</p> <p>24 A Canine would be one that I would tell you</p> <p>25 that that is part of their job duties.</p>	<p>1 A Special Enforcement.</p> <p>2 Q Special Enforcement Unit in the Criminal</p> <p>3 Investigations Division?</p> <p>4 A Yes, uh-huh.</p> <p>5 Q Is there any other organizational chart that we</p> <p>6 should be aware of?</p> <p>7 A No. This -- the April 21st, 2022, is our most</p> <p>8 current.</p> <p>9 Q Okay. And was there any organizational -- what</p> <p>10 organizational chart governed at the time of the traffic</p> <p>11 stop in this issue, which was March 16th, 2022?</p> <p>12 A It should have been the preceding one, the</p> <p>13 organizational chart Bates stamped 6036, March 18th,</p> <p>14 2020.</p> <p>15 Q Okay. And I'm going to look at the next page</p> <p>16 of this document, Bates labeled 6038.</p> <p>17 A I have it.</p> <p>18 Q Can you tell me what this page is?</p> <p>19 A This looks to be the Sheriff's administration,</p> <p>20 all the chiefs, chief assignments.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. And what is the effective date of this</p> <p>22 list?</p> <p>23 A No idea.</p> <p>24 Q Okay. So we just have a list of leadership</p> <p>25 positions, but we don't know what date they were in</p>

Page 34	Page 36
<p>1 charge?</p> <p>2 A On this one?</p> <p>3 Q Yes, sir.</p> <p>4 A No, ma'am. Based on this document, I don't</p> <p>5 know which one it's referring to.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. And would you estimate that it</p> <p>7 corresponds to the March 18th, 2022, organizational</p> <p>8 chart? Does that seem accurate?</p> <p>9 A The March -- which Bates stamp did you say? 38</p> <p>10 refers to the 20? No.</p> <p>11 Q That's not accurate?</p> <p>12 A No, the Bates stamp 6039 is accurate for the</p> <p>13 2020.</p> <p>14 Q Okay.</p> <p>15 A The Bates stamp 6038 would be the accurate one</p> <p>16 for the 2021.</p> <p>17 Q There is no 2021. There's a 2022 --</p> <p>18 A Or '22.</p> <p>19 Q -- and a 2020.</p> <p>20 A I'm sorry, April 21st, 2022.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. So let me make sure I got that right.</p> <p>22 The Bates stamp BC 6038 is accurate for which year?</p> <p>23 A 38 is for April 21st, 2022. I know that</p> <p>24 because that's when Raul Garza was promoted from</p> <p>25 lieutenant to, in the Patrol division -- or from a</p>	<p>1 was. Offhand, I can't tell you.</p> <p>2 Q Okay.</p> <p>3 A We -- we provide a report to the State in</p> <p>4 regards to vehicle traffic stops and vehicle searches.</p> <p>5 It's -- I've been in charge of that report since I think</p> <p>6 2018. 2017, 2018. And we've provided it every year to</p> <p>7 the State that shows what our, what the true accounting</p> <p>8 is.</p> <p>9 Q Okay. And for any given traffic stop, what</p> <p>10 records does the County require an officer to make?</p> <p>11 A I don't understand.</p> <p>12 Q Another way of thinking about this is, what</p> <p>13 forms must an officer fill out in making or conducting a</p> <p>14 traffic stop?</p> <p>15 A Okay. That's a kind of loaded question.</p> <p>16 Making a traffic stop.</p> <p>17 Making a traffic stop, the officer pulls over</p> <p>18 the vehicle and then they are required to fill out the</p> <p>19 citation data, which is an electronic -- most traffic</p> <p>20 stops are done electronically. We still do have some</p> <p>21 paper citations when -- the electronic means, but they</p> <p>22 are duplicates of each other.</p> <p>23 But it is -- complies with State statute:</p> <p>24 Name, date of birth. We require a phone number. We have</p> <p>25 now put on email addresses, because we've been able to</p>
Page 35	Page 37
<p>1 lieutenant in Patrol -- or lieutenant in administration</p> <p>2 to the deputy chief of the Patrol division.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. And then the subsequent page of BC</p> <p>4 6039 --</p> <p>5 A Refers to March 18th, 2020, because at the time</p> <p>6 Ronald Bennett -- before this was issued, Ronald Bennett</p> <p>7 was the Patrol chief, and he had departed -- he retired.</p> <p>8 And so that was the opening that subsequently led to Raul</p> <p>9 Garza.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. And I think we can put this to the side</p> <p>11 for now and come back to it if we need it. Thank you.</p> <p>12 Now I want to talk about traffic stops just in</p> <p>13 general.</p> <p>14 A Okay.</p> <p>15 Q How many traffic stops do County Sheriff's</p> <p>16 officers make each year, in total?</p> <p>17 A I want to say last year it was around 28,000.</p> <p>18 Q Okay.</p> <p>19 A I think. It's been subsequently going down</p> <p>20 over the years. Traffic has not been a priority for a</p> <p>21 while.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. How many searches of vehicles would you</p> <p>23 estimate, would the County estimate that its officers</p> <p>24 make each year?</p> <p>25 A I provided a document that shows what all that</p>	<p>1 communicate and remind people of court dates and things</p> <p>2 like that through that. A description of the vehicle,</p> <p>3 the description of the violator, a description of the</p> <p>4 location where the violation was observed. They then --</p> <p>5 a description of the violation. And then they have</p> <p>6 weather conditions. Then we have the compliance with</p> <p>7 racial profiling and the Sandra Bland Act.</p> <p>8 Q Thank you for that. So every traffic stop</p> <p>9 should have that information completed?</p> <p>10 A Yes.</p> <p>11 Q Should there be body worn camera footage for</p> <p>12 every traffic stop done by an officer who's charged with</p> <p>13 making traffic stops as part of their duties?</p> <p>14 A If the officer has a body worn camera assigned</p> <p>15 to them, the rule is yes. Does equipment fail? It does.</p> <p>16 So as long as they have documented it, saying that there</p> <p>17 is a failure and what the failure is and then they take</p> <p>18 the subsequent steps, which are to notify the team that</p> <p>19 there was a failure, then there are times where they</p> <p>20 don't have it.</p> <p>21 Q Sure. And I understand technology sometimes</p> <p>22 just --</p> <p>23 A Uh-huh, but yes. General rule, there is a</p> <p>24 requirement.</p> <p>25 Q General rules, there is a requirement to have</p>

Page 38	Page 40
<p>1 body camera footage if you have a body camera on you for</p> <p>2 a traffic stop?</p> <p>3 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>4 Q And I understand technology fails. Trust me,</p> <p>5 technology fails for me a lot. How does an officer</p> <p>6 document when their body worn camera fails?</p> <p>7 A There's several ways. One, you document it in</p> <p>8 the report. They are then required -- they were taught</p> <p>9 to get -- report it to their supervisor. They were</p> <p>10 taught to write an incident report, and that would be</p> <p>11 done through our RMS.</p> <p>12 Other basics that have been accepted would be</p> <p>13 through email to their supervisor, email to the</p> <p>14 appropriate technology team.</p> <p>15 Q Okay. Should there be dash camera for every</p> <p>16 traffic stop if the officer has a dash camera on their</p> <p>17 vehicle?</p> <p>18 A As a general rule of thumb, yes, that is</p> <p>19 what --</p> <p>20 Q And again, the same probably caveat, sometimes</p> <p>21 dash cameras fail.</p> <p>22 A Sure.</p> <p>23 Q And if the dash camera fails, an officer is</p> <p>24 supposed to document the same way you've outlined for a</p> <p>25 body worn camera.</p>	<p>1 at minus zero five hours now. When we go into daylight</p> <p>2 savings time, then it goes to minus six.</p> <p>3 But it does have basic information on the stop,</p> <p>4 day, time, when it occurred.</p> <p>5 Q Okay. And you talked about it identifying the</p> <p>6 officer who is in it, who owns it. And that</p> <p>7 identification is through a number process; is that</p> <p>8 correct?</p> <p>9 A Yes. We -- the way we have it set up is</p> <p>10 they're identified -- the County's employee number that</p> <p>11 is issued for, for the officer, when he gets hired, never</p> <p>12 changes. It never gets reissued. It always stays with</p> <p>13 that.</p> <p>14 So when we started going to the electronic</p> <p>15 databases, what we discovered is badge numbers and other</p> <p>16 types of identification would change, including, you</p> <p>17 know, you would think email, oh, your first and last name</p> <p>18 don't change, but they do, and they change a lot, both</p> <p>19 men and women.</p> <p>20 So we found that -- we chose a number that does</p> <p>21 not change. So that stays with them with their career.</p> <p>22 So in 20 years, if a video came up and we had to pull it</p> <p>23 up and it says mine, it says 13411, they can go into the</p> <p>24 database and say, "Okay, who was employee 13411?" In 20</p> <p>25 years it's still going to be Aaron von Muldau.</p>
Page 39	Page 41
<p>1 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>2 Q I want to ask generally a question about body</p> <p>3 worn camera, and I'm happy to examine this if we need to</p> <p>4 look at it. But I think you're going to be familiar</p> <p>5 anyway.</p> <p>6 Up in the right-hand corner, the top of any</p> <p>7 body worn camera footage or a dash camera footage,</p> <p>8 there's usually a line of numbers, two lines of numbers.</p> <p>9 A Yes.</p> <p>10 Q Do you know what I'm talking about?</p> <p>11 A I do.</p> <p>12 Q And usually, as my understanding, there's the</p> <p>13 date; is that correct?</p> <p>14 A So there's -- it depends, because those are</p> <p>15 overlays in mass. So what you see versus what I see --</p> <p>16 because I have my computer set up differently, but yes,</p> <p>17 it usually has basic information. The registration of</p> <p>18 who the camera or who the video is of. Usually when you</p> <p>19 go back and review a video, it says who pulled up the</p> <p>20 video, right? Because you can't just have anybody --</p> <p>21 it's not anybody that goes in there. So we know where</p> <p>22 the video came from.</p> <p>23 It will have date, time. I think ours actually</p> <p>24 has the designation for Green Mountain Time, the minus --</p> <p>25 I think we're -- because we're in daylight savings, we're</p>	<p>1 Q Okay. Thank you for that.</p> <p>2 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>3 Q You talked a little bit about the time. The</p> <p>4 timestamp is in GMT? Is that fair?</p> <p>5 A No. It depends -- we got that fixed. At one</p> <p>6 time it showed in GMT. It should currently be showing in</p> <p>7 central standard time, but it shows the GMT designation</p> <p>8 of minus five. So it's GMT minus five, five hours.</p> <p>9 Q Okay.</p> <p>10 A I believe is how it's read.</p> <p>11 Q Depending on daylight savings or not.</p> <p>12 A Correct. Right.</p> <p>13 Q And are, are the timestamps that are in the</p> <p>14 corners of the videos generally accurate?</p> <p>15 A Yes. They are generally set server based. So</p> <p>16 when that camera logs in and has been docked, it</p> <p>17 should -- if something was to get off, it should reset</p> <p>18 that every time.</p> <p>19 Q Okay.</p> <p>20 A Have I ever seen it where something is off?</p> <p>21 Yes. But that usually tends to be, we've had that error</p> <p>22 with a server side or something like that. But</p> <p>23 oftentimes we have a couple of different ways of</p> <p>24 checking. So if something goes off, that's how we are</p> <p>25 able to discover it. It says, hey, it's 6:00 p.m. and</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 42</p> <p>1 it's really light outside, but the RMS data and GPS data</p> <p>2 show that it's actually 6:00 a.m. Then we know that we</p> <p>3 need to go look at that and we'll take care of it.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. And then for any given traffic stop, I</p> <p>5 want to just understand the universe of like what records</p> <p>6 could potentially exist for a traffic stop. And I'm</p> <p>7 going to give you a list. And if I'm missing something</p> <p>8 that could exist for a traffic stop, please let me know.</p> <p>9 A Okay.</p> <p>10 Q So as I understand it, there's the RMS summary,</p> <p>11 which says SPEARS at the top of it, that goes with a</p> <p>12 traffic stop. Are you familiar with that document?</p> <p>13 A So yes and no. So this is where clarification</p> <p>14 needs to be.</p> <p>15 Q Sure.</p> <p>16 A You're asking me -- yes, there are instances</p> <p>17 where a SPEARS report will be completed.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. And is that required for every traffic</p> <p>19 stop?</p> <p>20 A No.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. And an Incident Detail Report, do you</p> <p>22 know what I'm talking about when I say Incident Detail</p> <p>23 Report?</p> <p>24 A I do.</p> <p>25 Q Are those required for every traffic stop?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 44</p> <p>1 say in the past, many years ago -- and when I mean many</p> <p>2 years ago, it was probably when I was still a patrolman,</p> <p>3 so that's been a while.</p> <p>4 Q Can you give me an estimate when that was?</p> <p>5 A My first promotion was --</p> <p>6 Q 1998?</p> <p>7 A -- 2006.</p> <p>8 Q Okay.</p> <p>9 A I'm not that old.</p> <p>10 Q Okay.</p> <p>11 A So yeah, it's been -- but you -- before all of</p> <p>12 the statutorily requirements, you could pull somebody</p> <p>13 over and not document anything, because you didn't have</p> <p>14 to document race, you didn't have to document, you know,</p> <p>15 use of force. You didn't have to document these things.</p> <p>16 And those weren't a requirement back then.</p> <p>17 So we, when I started getting involved with the</p> <p>18 traffic stops back in 2012 and stuff like that, we made</p> <p>19 sure to change how we were training, change that, you</p> <p>20 know, with the compliances with the new laws. And they</p> <p>21 started coming in around the 2000 -- I mean, they've</p> <p>22 always slowly been changing, but there was some headway</p> <p>23 in 2010, 2009-2010. I can't remember the exact precursor</p> <p>24 where it says no, we're going to start doing this. And</p> <p>25 then you had the racial profiling report come out and it</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 43</p> <p>1 A Those are generated through the CAD system.</p> <p>2 Q Okay.</p> <p>3 A They're not a requirement, because it's not</p> <p>4 interaction normally done by the officer. He's allowed</p> <p>5 to comment on it, but those are generated automatically</p> <p>6 with him checking in and out through dispatch saying,</p> <p>7 "I'm out on a traffic stop," or through the mobile.</p> <p>8 We do not, we do have -- we've given general</p> <p>9 direction that shadow stops are not allowed, meaning that</p> <p>10 I can pull people over and not document it. That is not</p> <p>11 the practice of the Sheriff's Office. That has been</p> <p>12 documented -- they will be documented. Does it happen?</p> <p>13 I'm sure it does. But that is not a practice of the</p> <p>14 Sheriff's Office.</p> <p>15 We document it for officer safety. We need to</p> <p>16 know where you're at. We need to know for, to comply</p> <p>17 with Sandra Bland and the Michael Morton Act and other</p> <p>18 statutorily required, and that is listed.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. I want to understand a little bit more</p> <p>20 of what you just said about shadow stops. What are</p> <p>21 shadow stops?</p> <p>22 A In the past -- and that "shadow stops" is my</p> <p>23 term.</p> <p>24 Q Sure.</p> <p>25 A It is not an official term. It is when what we</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 45</p> <p>1 says you will do this. And we made sure to mandate that</p> <p>2 no, they will be documented.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. When you say that you made sure to</p> <p>4 mandate they will be documented, how -- how was that</p> <p>5 mandate communicated to officers?</p> <p>6 A Through policy and directives.</p> <p>7 Q And when you say policy and directives --</p> <p>8 A And training. I'm sorry, training.</p> <p>9 Q Sure. When you say policy and directives, is</p> <p>10 there somewhere, and we can look -- we'll look at this in</p> <p>11 a little bit -- in the Sheriff's manual or a directive</p> <p>12 that specifically says shadow stops --</p> <p>13 A No, because again --</p> <p>14 Q -- for lack of a better description. I know</p> <p>15 that there's probably a different --</p> <p>16 A No, the mandate was that they would all be</p> <p>17 documented.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. So the mandate is, it is Sheriff's</p> <p>19 Office official policy that all stops should be</p> <p>20 documented.</p> <p>21 A Be documented, correct.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. So I wanted to just go back to the</p> <p>23 records that could exist for a traffic stop.</p> <p>24 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>25 Q There should be a warning or citation record;</p>

Page 46	Page 48
<p>1 is that correct?</p> <p>2 A Nowadays, yes, ma'am.</p> <p>3 Q And "nowadays" makes me think that it wasn't</p> <p>4 always the policy.</p> <p>5 A It wasn't always the policy. I told you back</p> <p>6 in 2006 that these things weren't mandated.</p> <p>7 Q Sure.</p> <p>8 A So you had a lot of verbal, "Hey, you know,</p> <p>9 you're not wearing your seat belt. Don't do it again."</p> <p>10 Q Okay. Would you say that -- would the County</p> <p>11 say that effective by March 16th, 2022, every stop should</p> <p>12 have had a written warning or --</p> <p>13 A Yes.</p> <p>14 Q -- official citation?</p> <p>15 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>16 Q For every traffic stop, should there be a</p> <p>17 record of what computer records, computer checks were run</p> <p>18 through the CAD system?</p> <p>19 A Yes.</p> <p>20 Q Okay. And one of the other officers testified</p> <p>21 about the -- I'm going to get this wrong, just bear with</p> <p>22 me -- the NCIC/TCIC --</p> <p>23 A What about it?</p> <p>24 Q -- system?</p> <p>25 A Uh-huh.</p>	<p>1 stop?</p> <p>2 A Yes.</p> <p>3 Q So we've got the SPEARS, RMS summary with</p> <p>4 potential reports, we've got the incident detail report,</p> <p>5 we've got a warning or citation record, we've got body</p> <p>6 worn camera, dash worn camera, an LPR readout, CAD -- the</p> <p>7 CAD record, the NCIC -- NCIC/TCIC record. Anything else</p> <p>8 that I'm missing that could exist for a traffic stop?</p> <p>9 A No. You're pulling some records that are all</p> <p>10 one.</p> <p>11 Q Okay.</p> <p>12 A So they're not necessarily -- you might be</p> <p>13 looking -- so TCIC, TLETS, CAD record, incident report</p> <p>14 detail, they're all --</p> <p>15 Q Together?</p> <p>16 A -- one.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. That's helpful. Thank you. I guess</p> <p>18 that leads me to another question, how the records of a</p> <p>19 traffic stop are linked. So when you want to go look,</p> <p>20 when the County wants to go look at a specific traffic</p> <p>21 stop, what happened, how does the County pull all the</p> <p>22 records for that traffic stop?</p> <p>23 A They have a person like me in charge of that.</p> <p>24 And so the steps is I always look for the IDR because</p> <p>25 it's going to always have the most information, which is</p>
Page 47	Page 49
<p>1 Q Should there be a record of any checks through</p> <p>2 that system --</p> <p>3 A Yes.</p> <p>4 Q -- every time there's a traffic stop? Or is</p> <p>5 the CAD --</p> <p>6 A If he's run. I mean, when you say should there</p> <p>7 be, if he runs a person, then those are the checks. It</p> <p>8 goes into the TLETS system, which does TCIC/NCIC, it does</p> <p>9 warrant checks, it does local checks, it does municipal</p> <p>10 checks, things like that.</p> <p>11 Q But that's not a requirement to do that -- to</p> <p>12 run through the NCIC --</p> <p>13 A No.</p> <p>14 Q -- system every stop?</p> <p>15 A No, ma'am.</p> <p>16 Q I'm going to just ask you to try to let me</p> <p>17 finish a question, because we're interrupting each other</p> <p>18 a little bit.</p> <p>19 A Sorry.</p> <p>20 Q And Molly's giving me an evil eye right now. I</p> <p>21 just saw it out of the corner of my eye.</p> <p>22 So things that could also exist would be an LPR</p> <p>23 record for a particular vehicle? And by "LPR" I mean</p> <p>24 license plate reader. Could there be a license plate</p> <p>25 reader record for a particular vehicle for a particular</p>	<p>1 the incident --</p> <p>2 Q When you say IDR --</p> <p>3 A Incident detail report.</p> <p>4 Q Okay.</p> <p>5 A Because on there, I can look for name, date of</p> <p>6 birth. I can look for location, I can look date, time.</p> <p>7 It will have an incident number. Usually if it has an</p> <p>8 incident number, that will then tell me I can go look</p> <p>9 into the RMS under that incident number because that's</p> <p>10 how it gets designated in the RMS.</p> <p>11 From there, I look date and time. And then I</p> <p>12 can look under the officer in the Brazos eCitation system</p> <p>13 for that particular day and go through, you know, one by</p> <p>14 one his records, or if they documented the person's name</p> <p>15 and date of birth, I can pull it that way and pull up the</p> <p>16 citation.</p> <p>17 The body cameras and video cameras, if they are</p> <p>18 doing what they're supposed to be doing and they are</p> <p>19 logged in and assigned as properly, when the incident</p> <p>20 number is created on the IDR, when they log out to say,</p> <p>21 "Hey, I've stopped a vehicle," then those things get</p> <p>22 attached to the video.</p> <p>23 Are there failures? Yes. So again, by looking</p> <p>24 at the date, time, when the officer's there and then</p> <p>25 physically reviewing the videos for that time frame,</p>

Page 50	Page 52
<p>1 usually that's how we find them.</p> <p>2 Q That sounds pretty labor intensive for you.</p> <p>3 A It can be.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. So there's no comprehensive system where</p> <p>5 all the records are generally linked together and you can</p> <p>6 just type in a number and it pulls it for you?</p> <p>7 A I wish. But no, it doesn't, because these are</p> <p>8 all different databases, right? The eCitation doesn't</p> <p>9 necessarily talk to the RMS. And the programming is so</p> <p>10 convoluted that it's very difficult to -- it's very cost</p> <p>11 prohibitive.</p> <p>12 So unfortunately, there isn't -- we haven't</p> <p>13 found a vendor that says, hey, here's one size fits all,</p> <p>14 we do eCitation, we do RMS, we do this, we do that, where</p> <p>15 everything is doing that. You're seeing a lot of vendors</p> <p>16 start to go that way, but you know, we're talking about</p> <p>17 50 years of how we've done business.</p> <p>18 I mean, the County has been using a COBOL</p> <p>19 database for 50 years that we just recently converted</p> <p>20 over to. Has nothing to do with this. But that tells</p> <p>21 you how long it takes for us to move up. We just --</p> <p>22 we've moved into an electronic society probably the</p> <p>23 better part of 20 -- starting in 2018 to 2020 where most</p> <p>24 records in about 2020 started becoming electronic.</p> <p>25 Q So it sounds to me that a lot of -- you try to</p>	<p>1 (Recess from 10:27 a.m. to 10:35 a.m.)</p> <p>2 THE REPORTER: We are back on the record.</p> <p>3 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. Have a good break?</p> <p>4 A I did. Thank you.</p> <p>5 Q I have up here on the screen what was</p> <p>6 previously given to us as BC 2307. Are you familiar with</p> <p>7 this document?</p> <p>8 A It looks like the citation data that I was</p> <p>9 requested to pull.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. And how do you know?</p> <p>11 A Because I reviewed the document and it looks</p> <p>12 like the citation data that I pulled.</p> <p>13 Q Okay. Would you say that this is the citation</p> <p>14 data that you pulled?</p> <p>15 A Go to the last line.</p> <p>16 Q And I mean, I think you mean --</p> <p>17 A No, no, no. Down.</p> <p>18 Q Okay.</p> <p>19 A It should be 173. You might want to pull the</p> <p>20 bar --</p> <p>21 Q Okay. Let's just pull the bar then. And this</p> <p>22 is going to be a little awkward, because we're navigating</p> <p>23 through a giant document.</p> <p>24 A Yes, that does appear to be -- and if you would</p> <p>25 go over to the right, ma'am.</p>
Page 51	Page 53
<p>1 use the incident number to what matches with the incident</p> <p>2 number, recognizing that not all of the pieces of data</p> <p>3 are affiliated with the incident number.</p> <p>4 A Correct.</p> <p>5 Q Is that fair?</p> <p>6 A Yes.</p> <p>7 Q And then the rest, it sounds like you match</p> <p>8 using date, time and officer involved or any other</p> <p>9 information that you have.</p> <p>10 A It could be. But I mean, there's -- it's a</p> <p>11 little -- I'm sorry. Yes, ma'am. It's a little bit more</p> <p>12 complicated than that and a little bit more exacting than</p> <p>13 that, but yes, that's the gist of it.</p> <p>14 Q Okay. Just wanted to understand kind of how it</p> <p>15 all fits together.</p> <p>16 A It is a manual process.</p> <p>17 Q It sounds arduous.</p> <p>18 Let's see. All right. I want to look at</p> <p>19 another exhibit, but it's going to require me to set up</p> <p>20 the computer.</p> <p>21 A Okay.</p> <p>22 Q So I'm going to take a brief break, if that's</p> <p>23 okay with everybody.</p> <p>24 A Works for me.</p> <p>25 THE REPORTER: We're off the record.</p>	<p>1 Q This way?</p> <p>2 A It does appear to be the document that I --</p> <p>3 without having the document in front of me, but yes, it</p> <p>4 does appear to be what I provided.</p> <p>5 Q Well, I want to be clear that it is the</p> <p>6 document. And based on your recollection. Because it's</p> <p>7 very hard to provide the whole document in front of you.</p> <p>8 So I've got the electronic version.</p> <p>9 A Right. No.</p> <p>10 Q This was provided to us as --</p> <p>11 A But it does look like it. It does not look</p> <p>12 like there was anything taken out. It doesn't look like</p> <p>13 there was anything edited. So it does look like the</p> <p>14 document. It has the citation number, the date, the</p> <p>15 time, the status, the judge it was assigned to, the court</p> <p>16 date. And if you go over to the right, it had the</p> <p>17 violator information, it had the vehicle information.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. And there are 178,000 rows, give or</p> <p>19 take.</p> <p>20 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. Does that mean that this reflects</p> <p>22 178,820 different traffic stops?</p> <p>23 A It reflects 178,820 entries.</p> <p>24 Q Entries. Okay. Are there -- have you seen</p> <p>25 duplicate entries for traffic stops?</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 54</p> <p>1 A No. But I'm looking at the one right there</p> <p>2 where it says "null," which means that it's probably a</p> <p>3 test. And if I --</p> <p>4 Q Sure.</p> <p>5 A If I recall, to the best of my ability, there</p> <p>6 were some tests or non- -- not necessarily, but I believe</p> <p>7 most of them are traffic stops --</p> <p>8 Q Okay.</p> <p>9 A -- warnings and citations.</p> <p>10 Q And how would we filter out the tests? Just</p> <p>11 filter out the nulls? Is that fair?</p> <p>12 A You would have to -- it just depends. Some of</p> <p>13 them -- because some of them are incomplete, if I</p> <p>14 remember right. But you would have to -- there's a lot</p> <p>15 of ways to filter it out.</p> <p>16 Q Okay.</p> <p>17 A It's not necessarily on one thing.</p> <p>18 Q Well, if we need to, during this conversation,</p> <p>19 let me know if I'm missing something.</p> <p>20 A Sure.</p> <p>21 Q And I just want to make sure that we're going</p> <p>22 to -- we know what date range we're looking at here for</p> <p>23 this data.</p> <p>24 A Okay.</p> <p>25 Q And I'm going to go to the top.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 56</p> <p>1 number of lines in this Excel spreadsheet, just for the</p> <p>2 record. How is this spreadsheet created?</p> <p>3 A The data is initially stuck into a SQL</p> <p>4 database, and I contacted Brazos, instead of trying to</p> <p>5 pull up each individual, and they gave me a dump for all</p> <p>6 the data that was requested.</p> <p>7 Q And when you say "dump for all the data that</p> <p>8 was requested," tell me about that.</p> <p>9 A So if they had a field, I wanted the data.</p> <p>10 Q So you asked for everything.</p> <p>11 A I did.</p> <p>12 Q Okay. And how does this data get into the</p> <p>13 Brazos system? Where's the source?</p> <p>14 A The source comes from when the officer</p> <p>15 initiates there's an application on the in-car computer,</p> <p>16 the MDT -- or MDC.</p> <p>17 Q MDC.</p> <p>18 A Mobile data computer. There's an application</p> <p>19 on there. They log in with a pre-defined unique user</p> <p>20 name and password. And with that, it then -- it's like</p> <p>21 an application on your phone. It starts off with -- you</p> <p>22 start the citation, you put the basic information, when,</p> <p>23 where, how. Then it goes into the location and you fill</p> <p>24 out that information. Then it asks for the defendant and</p> <p>25 vehicle information. You fill that part out.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 55</p> <p>1 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>2 Q Scroll back all the way to the top. And I</p> <p>3 think that this is the best way. I'm going to look at</p> <p>4 the Issue Date column.</p> <p>5 A That is correct.</p> <p>6 Q And the first column -- the first entry in the</p> <p>7 Issue Date column is what looks like to me January 1st of</p> <p>8 2020. Am I reading that right?</p> <p>9 A Yes. That was the parameters.</p> <p>10 Q So does that mean the earliest stop in this</p> <p>11 data is from January 1st, 2020?</p> <p>12 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>13 Q And I'm going to go to the very bottom again.</p> <p>14 And other than these two null ones at the bottom, the</p> <p>15 last date I see is this September 11th, 2023. Am I</p> <p>16 reading that correct?</p> <p>17 A Yes, ma'am, that's when it was generated.</p> <p>18 Q And does that mean that this reflects Bexar</p> <p>19 County's traffic stop data from January 1st of 2020 to</p> <p>20 September 11th of 2023?</p> <p>21 A It does.</p> <p>22 Q I guess it would be fair to say that's a</p> <p>23 3.5-year period, three and a half year, give or take?</p> <p>24 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>25 Q Okay. And we already talked about the total</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 57</p> <p>1 Then you go into -- there's another -- there's</p> <p>2 an additional tab that then goes into the actual</p> <p>3 violation, and you fill out all the precursors with the</p> <p>4 violation.</p> <p>5 And all along this is it's capturing the Sandra</p> <p>6 Bland information. It will have little questions like,</p> <p>7 you know: Was there a search? Was there not a search?</p> <p>8 If there was a search, did you find anything? What did</p> <p>9 you find? There's specific categories that the State has</p> <p>10 set up that we're required to do.</p> <p>11 And then finally, the last part is they can add</p> <p>12 additional pictures, because some of the cars have</p> <p>13 optical readers, so we would take a picture of the</p> <p>14 driver's license to designate that this is the person I</p> <p>15 spoke with. The -- and it does the weather conditions,</p> <p>16 and then the officer's able to put any comments in there.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. I think I know what you're talking</p> <p>18 about. So I'm going to just look for this document, so</p> <p>19 bear with me.</p> <p>20 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>21 MR. WINDHAM: Before you introduce that, we</p> <p>22 have 57 for this spreadsheet; is that correct? Or did</p> <p>23 you give a number?</p> <p>24 MS. HEBERT: Yes, that is -- I did not. Can we</p> <p>25 mark this spreadsheet as Exhibit 57? Sorry, I was a</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 58</p> <p>1 little late on that. Thank you, Mr. Windham.</p> <p>2 MR. WINDHAM: Sure.</p> <p>3 MS. HEBERT: Why don't you put that on one of</p> <p>4 those blank pieces of paper so Molly has an easy record</p> <p>5 of it.</p> <p>6 MR. WINDHAM: Yeah.</p> <p>7 Q (By Ms. Hebert) So this exhibit that we just</p> <p>8 looked at, the Excel spreadsheet with Bexar County's</p> <p>9 traffic stop data, this is going to be marked as Exhibit</p> <p>10 57. Do you understand that?</p> <p>11 A I do.</p> <p>12 Q Once we do that, we'll get it --</p> <p>13 MS. HEBERT: This is just for your records,</p> <p>14 Molly.</p> <p>15 THE REPORTER: Thank you.</p> <p>16 MS. HEBERT: Put that over there, if you don't</p> <p>17 mind.</p> <p>18 Q (By Ms. Hebert) I'm going to hand you what has</p> <p>19 previously been introduced as Plaintiff's Exhibit 12,</p> <p>20 which is in our stuff, Exhibit F.</p> <p>21 Is this -- and I'll represent to you that</p> <p>22 Officer Gereb and I think another person's already</p> <p>23 testified about this record, but is this what you're</p> <p>24 talking about as what, what the data that we're seeing on</p> <p>25 Exhibit 57 is drawn from? This is the result?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 60</p> <p>1 print button, it prints out the warning or the citation,</p> <p>2 and this document we see as Exhibit 12 is the PDF record</p> <p>3 of that.</p> <p>4 A Yes. It is the PDF -- this is what's</p> <p>5 considered the official court record.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. And you mentioned that it doesn't</p> <p>7 contain everything, this P --</p> <p>8 A Correct.</p> <p>9 Q What is missing?</p> <p>10 A I don't believe it has any of the Sandra</p> <p>11 Bland and Michael Morton questions and stuff like</p> <p>12 that that are required.</p> <p>13 Q And what are those questions, generally?</p> <p>14 A They do have them -- here, what is this over</p> <p>15 here? I want to say there's 11, but it's, you know, race</p> <p>16 known -- some of this stuff is here. Arrest, no.</p> <p>17 Search, no search. Contraband. There are other parts to</p> <p>18 it that get found out throughout that it's contained, but</p> <p>19 it's not contained in the same way that it goes in.</p> <p>20 Q Help me understand that. I'm sorry, I didn't</p> <p>21 necessarily follow that. So you said there was 11</p> <p>22 questions that need to be --</p> <p>23 A Yes, I don't remember. I don't recall them</p> <p>24 offhand.</p> <p>25 Q That's okay. But an officer is supposed to</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 59</p> <p>1 A Yes. This is a representation. This is a PDF</p> <p>2 that gets generated after the data's entered. I don't</p> <p>3 believe it contains everything.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. So what, the system that you talked</p> <p>5 about, the mobile data computer, that's just the computer</p> <p>6 that an officer has in his or her vehicle; is that fair?</p> <p>7 A Yes.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. And is the CAD system an app on that</p> <p>9 computer?</p> <p>10 A Yes.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. And what's the app on the computer that</p> <p>12 you entered this information in?</p> <p>13 A ECitation.</p> <p>14 Q The citation app?</p> <p>15 A ECitation.</p> <p>16 Q ECitation. Okay. So the eCitation system is</p> <p>17 where they put the information for the warning or</p> <p>18 citation?</p> <p>19 A Yeah. There's several names, because the</p> <p>20 company gets bought out, but we commonly refer to it as</p> <p>21 Brazos. But as the company gets bought out, they bring</p> <p>22 out a new name for it. But -- so I, we've gone down to</p> <p>23 it's the eCitation system.</p> <p>24 Q Okay. So an officer enters the information</p> <p>25 into the eCitation system. Eventually, if they hit the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 61</p> <p>1 fill them out; is that correct?</p> <p>2 A Yes, uh-huh.</p> <p>3 Q And then that information would go into this</p> <p>4 e-ticket system?</p> <p>5 A Yes. It goes into the database, because that's</p> <p>6 where we begin the -- that is where we begin the racial</p> <p>7 profiling report.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. I understand. I think we can put that</p> <p>9 aside. I just used Exhibit 12 to illustrate --</p> <p>10 A Yes.</p> <p>11 Q -- and help us understand --</p> <p>12 A But that is --</p> <p>13 Q -- exactly what you were talking about.</p> <p>14 A Right. That's basically where all this</p> <p>15 information comes from is the entry from the officer.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. Let me just make that clear for the</p> <p>17 record. So the information that we see in this</p> <p>18 spreadsheet that is Exhibit 57 comes from documents like</p> <p>19 Exhibit 12 through the e-ticket system.</p> <p>20 A It's the opposite.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. So the officer enters information into</p> <p>22 the e-ticket system. That e-ticket system generates</p> <p>23 records like P12 and the spreadsheet?</p> <p>24 A Yes. But it goes -- that -- the SQL database</p> <p>25 does that. So you have fields, the officer enters into</p>

Page 62	Page 64
<p>1 the fields, it goes there.</p> <p>2 Q Okay. When I go --</p> <p>3 MR. WINDHAM: You're pointing at Exhibit 57,</p> <p>4 correct?</p> <p>5 THE WITNESS: Exhibit 57.</p> <p>6 A It goes into the database. I want a citation.</p> <p>7 I want a copy of the citation. Then it takes that data</p> <p>8 and puts it --</p> <p>9 Q (By Ms. Hebert) And pulls it to P12?</p> <p>10 A Yes.</p> <p>11 Q So let me just summarize that so I make sure I</p> <p>12 understand. An officer enters the information into the</p> <p>13 e-ticket system. It goes into the database, which is</p> <p>14 this -- effectively the data in this database is Exhibit</p> <p>15 57. And then when you want to pull the citation record,</p> <p>16 the form that is produced is P12.</p> <p>17 A Yes.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. Just trying to understand how everything</p> <p>19 connects. Thank you.</p> <p>20 A Okay.</p> <p>21 Q All right. Let's go back to Exhibit 57. And</p> <p>22 I'm going to go back to the top of 57.</p> <p>23 A Okay.</p> <p>24 Q There we go. I'm going to look at the headers</p> <p>25 and go header by header here just to make sure I</p>	<p>1 issuing -- no. That should be the device that was</p> <p>2 actually issuing the citation.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. And then I'm going to skip over, I</p> <p>4 think, some of this. I'm going to go to Offense Time,</p> <p>5 which is another header. And that Offense Time, this</p> <p>6 seems to be changing based on different times. Would you</p> <p>7 say that that's the time of the stop?</p> <p>8 A Yes. The time of when the incident was</p> <p>9 occurred.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. And the Offense Date, would you say</p> <p>11 that's the date of the offense?</p> <p>12 A Yes.</p> <p>13 Q There's a bunch of court information. I'm</p> <p>14 going to skip over that. I don't think it's particularly</p> <p>15 relevant, but if I'm missing something, let me know.</p> <p>16 Again, court information, I'm going to -- I'm</p> <p>17 going to stop on the header that says Stop Result. And I</p> <p>18 understand this column to reflect whether a citation,</p> <p>19 official citation, i.e., something with like a ticket</p> <p>20 consequence was issued or a warning. Am I understanding</p> <p>21 that correctly?</p> <p>22 A Yes.</p> <p>23 Q And then the next column is Officer Last Name.</p> <p>24 Does this column reflect the last name of the officer who</p> <p>25 made the stop?</p>
Page 63	Page 65
<p>1 understand. So citation number, that's a unique number</p> <p>2 of the traffic stop, if it's an individual traffic stop;</p> <p>3 is that fair?</p> <p>4 A Yes.</p> <p>5 Q And that would correspond to a number that we</p> <p>6 see in this P12; is that correct?</p> <p>7 A Yes.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. The issue date is the date that the</p> <p>9 citation or the warning was issued; is that correct?</p> <p>10 A So I'm kind of at odds, because sometimes their</p> <p>11 data is bad. And if you look, all of those are issued at</p> <p>12 the same time, when in fact they -- I mean, you can't</p> <p>13 have them issued all at the same time.</p> <p>14 Q Sure. So why is the data bad?</p> <p>15 A Well, I'm not saying -- but that -- I don't</p> <p>16 know what they're referencing on the 6:00 a.m.</p> <p>17 Q Sure.</p> <p>18 A That could be the, when it was processed into</p> <p>19 the system --</p> <p>20 Q Okay.</p> <p>21 A -- and accepted.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. So we'll -- oh, I went too far. We'll</p> <p>23 come back to that.</p> <p>24 The Device ID, what is the Device ID?</p> <p>25 A That should be the device that was actually</p>	<p>1 A Yes.</p> <p>2 Q Officer Information, I think we can just</p> <p>3 generally associate with last name. I'm now going to</p> <p>4 headers underneath the green section. The green section</p> <p>5 saying Violator Information. And I see Last Name on</p> <p>6 the -- I'm on the Last Name column. And would this</p> <p>7 column reflect the last name of the person who was pulled</p> <p>8 over?</p> <p>9 A Yes.</p> <p>10 Q Then we're in a section, a big header, a yellow</p> <p>11 big header called Location Information. I'm just</p> <p>12 scrolling through to see if there's anything that's</p> <p>13 important.</p> <p>14 I'm going to look -- now I'm in the</p> <p>15 reddish-orange, I don't know what color you would</p> <p>16 classify that as, section. And I'm going to look at the</p> <p>17 Offense Description. Is this Offense Description what</p> <p>18 generally the officer claims they pulled the person over</p> <p>19 for?</p> <p>20 A Yes.</p> <p>21 Q And then I see Violation Stop Result. Again,</p> <p>22 the citation or warning, citation being a ticket, an</p> <p>23 actual consequential ticket versus a warning?</p> <p>24 A Yes. I believe there's actually four headings</p> <p>25 under Stop -- Violator Stop Result. But yes, that's --</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 66</p> <p>1 Q Okay. Let's look at those headings then. I</p> <p>2 just turned on the filter mechanism for this particular</p> <p>3 column, and I'm going to click the down arrow to see what</p> <p>4 options come up. I see Citation, Null and Warning.</p> <p>5 A Okay.</p> <p>6 Q And would Null reflect the tests that you were</p> <p>7 talking about earlier?</p> <p>8 A Could be a test, could be a couple of things.</p> <p>9 That's what I would probably say, if it's not valid --</p> <p>10 it's not a valid citation or warning.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. Understood. What is the difference</p> <p>12 between a citation and a warning, just so we're clear on</p> <p>13 the record?</p> <p>14 A A citation has a monetary, judiciary penalty,</p> <p>15 and a warning does not.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. And when an officer hands a driver a</p> <p>17 piece of paper, how does the driver tell whether it's a</p> <p>18 citation or a warning?</p> <p>19 A It is usually printed on it, it says it.</p> <p>20 Q It says at the top?</p> <p>21 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>22 Q And then we're looking at some additional</p> <p>23 information on the offense. I don't think we need any of</p> <p>24 that. Additional Violator Information. And then we see</p> <p>25 Notes, which I assume is just an, where an officer can</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 68</p> <p>1 Q So it's like what you would think, it's a</p> <p>2 traffic violation while someone was moving?</p> <p>3 A For the most part, yes.</p> <p>4 Q Okay.</p> <p>5 A While the vehicle was in motion.</p> <p>6 Q And what is the Pre-existing Knowledge</p> <p>7 column -- or option within the Reason for the Stop</p> <p>8 column?</p> <p>9 A Pre-existing Knowledge, that would be almost</p> <p>10 like a, kind of like a pretext stop that you know a</p> <p>11 violator's carrying cocaine or moving illegal immigrants,</p> <p>12 things like that.</p> <p>13 Q Okay.</p> <p>14 A Pre-existing knowledge that they know that this</p> <p>15 person is an offender or something like that.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. And how would they know that that was an</p> <p>17 offender?</p> <p>18 A Through investigations.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. We can come back to it if we need to.</p> <p>20 And what is a Vehicle Traffic Violation,</p> <p>21 compared to a Moving Traffic Violation?</p> <p>22 A Vehicle Traffic Violation, it's pretty much --</p> <p>23 it's when the vehicle's not in motion. Could be a</p> <p>24 parking violation --</p> <p>25 Q A non-moving violation?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 67</p> <p>1 put notes on a given stop. And it looks like there's</p> <p>2 some weather notes and the conditions of the roadway.</p> <p>3 And then I'm going to go to Stop Data</p> <p>4 Information. And I see various classifications. I'm</p> <p>5 going to look at the first -- or the second sub-header in</p> <p>6 the Stop Data Information. This is the reason of the</p> <p>7 stop. Why -- and I'm going to look at some of these</p> <p>8 options. I see moving Traffic Violation, Null,</p> <p>9 Pre-existing Knowledge, Traffic Violation, and Violation</p> <p>10 of Law. Did I get that correct?</p> <p>11 A Yes. Those are the -- those are going to be</p> <p>12 the racial profiling, Michael Morton statutory</p> <p>13 requirement things that we have to fill out.</p> <p>14 Q Okay. So would you say that this Stop Data</p> <p>15 Information, the blue header then, is like the -- is the</p> <p>16 Michael Morton questions in general?</p> <p>17 A In general, yes.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. And I see one, two, three, four, five</p> <p>19 categories. And there's a Null, which we previously</p> <p>20 discussed is like an invalid stop. But what is a Moving</p> <p>21 Traffic Violation?</p> <p>22 A It's while the vehicle is in operation and</p> <p>23 moving.</p> <p>24 Q Okay.</p> <p>25 A So rolling a stop sign, speeding type thing.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 69</p> <p>1 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>2 Q And then what is Violation of Law?</p> <p>3 A Violation of Law is anything over a Class C</p> <p>4 misdemeanor that has a confinement.</p> <p>5 Q Okay. So help me understand how an officer</p> <p>6 would select between these options.</p> <p>7 A So there are traffic stops and there are things</p> <p>8 that occur. And so if it has a potential for confinement</p> <p>9 and not be -- Moving Traffic Violation and Vehicle</p> <p>10 Traffic Violation would be for basically traffic stops.</p> <p>11 You know, he would select, you know, this was -- the</p> <p>12 vehicle was in motion, this was a moving traffic</p> <p>13 violation; the vehicle wasn't in motion, it's not a</p> <p>14 moving -- it's just a traffic violation.</p> <p>15 The violation of law is an offense if he</p> <p>16 selects an offense, whether it be citation, cite and</p> <p>17 release, that is a crime punishable higher -- that has a</p> <p>18 physical detainment aspect to it.</p> <p>19 The pre-existing, like I said, it doesn't get</p> <p>20 used very often, so it's kind of hard. But when you work</p> <p>21 on task force, whether it's with the DEA or Secret</p> <p>22 Service, sometimes like that they have wires that --</p> <p>23 legal, legal taps and stuff like that that they are</p> <p>24 utilizing, and information will be garnered from that</p> <p>25 legal tap that will then lead to a traffic stop.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 70</p> <p>1 Q Okay. And you used the term "pretext stop" a</p> <p>2 minute ago. What is a pretext stop?</p> <p>3 A It all depends on what you mean it means.</p> <p>4 Q Well, you used the --</p> <p>5 A I used the word, but --</p> <p>6 Q So what did you mean by it?</p> <p>7 A It's basically having knowledge and based --</p> <p>8 having knowledge of an offense that is occurring prior to</p> <p>9 the traffic stop.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. So you must have knowledge of an offense</p> <p>11 that is actually occurring before the traffic stop?</p> <p>12 A Yes.</p> <p>13 Q Okay. And I'm a little confused about these</p> <p>14 categories because it seems like they're overlapping; is</p> <p>15 that fair? So like if you make a traffic stop or a</p> <p>16 moving traffic stop violation, and then you arrest</p> <p>17 somebody, that seems to be both a moving traffic</p> <p>18 violation and a violation of law. Is that my -- is my</p> <p>19 understanding correct?</p> <p>20 A Yes.</p> <p>21 Q So how would you know which one to check?</p> <p>22 A The legislature put this into play, without</p> <p>23 very much explanation. So sometimes it's a dart game.</p> <p>24 But we try to use the best. And what we end up doing is</p> <p>25 going with the higher.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 72</p> <p>1 assume that Consent Search means the person consented to</p> <p>2 a search. Is my understanding correct?</p> <p>3 A Yes.</p> <p>4 Q And Contraband in Plain View, that's pretty</p> <p>5 self-evident. There was contraband in plain view so an</p> <p>6 officer searched; is that correct?</p> <p>7 A Yes.</p> <p>8 Q Incident to Arrest, my understanding would be</p> <p>9 someone was arrested and then they searched after the</p> <p>10 person was arrested.</p> <p>11 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>12 Q Is that correct?</p> <p>13 A Yes.</p> <p>14 Q And then Inventory, tell me what an inventory</p> <p>15 is.</p> <p>16 A We have a duty to protect people's property</p> <p>17 when they've been arrested. So like a vehicle, they will</p> <p>18 inventory a vehicle in areas that are common that are not</p> <p>19 locked, to make sure that when the vehicle is being towed</p> <p>20 or impounded, that any personal things of value are</p> <p>21 documented, to say that they were in the vehicle when we</p> <p>22 gave it over to the tow company.</p> <p>23 Q Understood. And No Search, that's</p> <p>24 self-evident. No search was conducted?</p> <p>25 A Uh-huh.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 71</p> <p>1 Q Okay. I understand.</p> <p>2 And then when would you use pre-existing</p> <p>3 knowledge versus a vehicle violation or a moving</p> <p>4 violation?</p> <p>5 A It just depends on what the information and</p> <p>6 what occurred when it happened. It doesn't mean a moving</p> <p>7 violation or a traffic stop didn't happen. But there are</p> <p>8 times where they've had to pull over cars because the</p> <p>9 guy's complying and he's not breaking the law.</p> <p>10 Q Sure.</p> <p>11 A And they'll use the pre-existing knowledge</p> <p>12 that's saying: Hey, listen, we have information that</p> <p>13 he's moving 10 tons of cocaine. We stopped him.</p> <p>14 Q Okay. And then I want to look at the next</p> <p>15 column. I see that as the Search column. And I'm going</p> <p>16 to pull that down. The options that I see here are</p> <p>17 Consent, Contraband in Plain View, Incident to Arrest,</p> <p>18 Inventory, No Search, and Probable Cause, and also Null.</p> <p>19 Did I get that correct?</p> <p>20 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>21 Q And again, Null would be the same thing. I'm</p> <p>22 just going to say any time we see Null that means</p> <p>23 there's -- it's invalid data; is that correct?</p> <p>24 A Or there's no data there.</p> <p>25 Q Or there's no data there at all. So I would</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 73</p> <p>1 Q And what is --</p> <p>2 A Yes, ma'am. I'm sorry. I shook my head. But</p> <p>3 yes, ma'am.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. And what is a Probable Cause Search?</p> <p>5 A Meaning that they had probable cause to,</p> <p>6 whether it be a warrant or there are circumstances, the</p> <p>7 vehicle exception rule, things like that that allow for</p> <p>8 them to carry on a search that would not normally be</p> <p>9 allowed.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. Thanks. And what is Contraband Type</p> <p>11 generally, that category? There seems to be a lot listed</p> <p>12 here, so I'm not going to go through everything. What</p> <p>13 does Contraband Type mean?</p> <p>14 A Based on that, I'd have to look at the list.</p> <p>15 It's not --</p> <p>16 Q I can open the list.</p> <p>17 A No, no, no, that's the codes. So you have</p> <p>18 narcotics, you have weapons, you have things that are not</p> <p>19 allowed. And each one of those A's, C's, S's, W's --</p> <p>20 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>21 A -- refer to something like that.</p> <p>22 Q Sure.</p> <p>23 A Off the top of my head, I don't -- I'd have</p> <p>24 to -- looking at the statute, I would be able to match --</p> <p>25 these are all categories that are required by the State</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 74</p> <p>1 for this report.</p> <p>2 Q Okay. That's helpful.</p> <p>3 A And yes, they do overlap and they do not make</p> <p>4 sense sometimes.</p> <p>5 Q I'm sensing some frustration there.</p> <p>6 A It's difficult.</p> <p>7 Q I understand. I see a column that says, "Knew</p> <p>8 Race." Does that mean the officer asked about the race</p> <p>9 or just observed the race? Help me understand what that</p> <p>10 means.</p> <p>11 A As part of the racial profiling, one of the</p> <p>12 things they want to know is did you know the race of the</p> <p>13 violator, was the race of the violator known prior to</p> <p>14 making the stop.</p> <p>15 What they're looking for is, hey, are you only</p> <p>16 pulling over because you found -- you know, I was driving</p> <p>17 while white. And they're like, you know, that is not</p> <p>18 against the law. So they're asking that question. There</p> <p>19 are times when you know the race, and there are times</p> <p>20 when a car passes you at 60 miles an hour with windows up</p> <p>21 and tinted windows that I have no idea who --</p> <p>22 Q Totally understand.</p> <p>23 A It could be a green alien. But that's what</p> <p>24 that question refers to.</p> <p>25 Q That's helpful. That's all, I just wanted to</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 76</p> <p>1 A I'm one of the people. But yes, I am the main</p> <p>2 person that audits the data.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. And then the County generally audits the</p> <p>4 data. You'd said there are other people that do it. The</p> <p>5 County does it.</p> <p>6 A Yes.</p> <p>7 Q And what kind of reports are generated from</p> <p>8 this Excel spreadsheet? You talked about a couple of</p> <p>9 them, whether officers are making stops, the racial</p> <p>10 profiling data. Are there any -- how do you assess</p> <p>11 whether shadow stops are occurring?</p> <p>12 A Because I discover that there are stops that</p> <p>13 happen and they're not documented.</p> <p>14 Q And what happens after that?</p> <p>15 A We take action on those officers, whether it</p> <p>16 be -- sometimes it could be from a reprimand, it could be</p> <p>17 from a counseling to suspension.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. And what if -- do you audit the</p> <p>19 correctness of the data? So how do you know what the</p> <p>20 officer's putting into this database is correct?</p> <p>21 A I don't understand the question.</p> <p>22 Q Sure. Thanks. That's probably my fault for</p> <p>23 asking a bad question.</p> <p>24 When an officer says they pulled over a red</p> <p>25 Honda Civic driven by Josh Windham, how does the County</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 75</p> <p>1 know what it was. And then there's Arrest Reason, Use of</p> <p>2 Force, and that's the end of the columns.</p> <p>3 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>4 Q So now I want to ask you just generally how the</p> <p>5 County uses this information. What does the County do</p> <p>6 with this spreadsheet?</p> <p>7 A They don't. It's not normally pulled.</p> <p>8 Q So no one usually looks at this spreadsheet?</p> <p>9 A No, not in this format. I use information --</p> <p>10 because it's kept in a database.</p> <p>11 Q Sure.</p> <p>12 A So we don't -- I don't print out or use the</p> <p>13 database. But we use the database to build reports,</p> <p>14 right.</p> <p>15 Q Okay.</p> <p>16 A I want to know how many stops we've been doing.</p> <p>17 I want to know how many -- for the racial profiling, I</p> <p>18 need to know what all these answers are. Do they match</p> <p>19 the number of stops? Because those are things that we</p> <p>20 look at, right? You know, those go back to what you call</p> <p>21 those -- what I described as a shadow stop, right? Do</p> <p>22 the numbers match? If they don't match, why don't they</p> <p>23 match? Who's making mistakes? Who's not filling out the</p> <p>24 information?</p> <p>25 Q So you audit the data; is that fair?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 77</p> <p>1 know that that information is correct? How do they know</p> <p>2 it's not Charles' ex-girlfriend?</p> <p>3 A We don't know unless a complaint's filed. And</p> <p>4 then from there, that's when we start doing our</p> <p>5 investigation.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. I want to do a little bit of filtering</p> <p>7 on --</p> <p>8 A Sure.</p> <p>9 Q -- this Excel spreadsheet just to talk about</p> <p>10 some of the results. And I'm going to go to the Search</p> <p>11 column and I'm going to filter the Search column to</p> <p>12 review all the searches that the County has record of.</p> <p>13 A Okay.</p> <p>14 Q So I'm going to deselect Select All, and I'm</p> <p>15 going to hit Consent, Contraband In Plain View, Incident</p> <p>16 To Arrest, Inventory, and Probable Cause. Did I get all</p> <p>17 the searches?</p> <p>18 A I believe so.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. And let's filter that down. And I'm</p> <p>20 seeing here at the bottom -- I'll move my cursor -- that</p> <p>21 there were 3,785 searches in the three years; is that</p> <p>22 correct?</p> <p>23 A Based on the search that you completed, I agree</p> <p>24 with that.</p> <p>25 Q Okay. Based on the data that I have here.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 78</p> <p>1 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>2 Q Okay. And I'm going to go back up here. And</p> <p>3 I'm going to uncheck some boxes. I'm going to uncheck</p> <p>4 Contraband In Plain View and Incident To Arrest and</p> <p>5 Inventory. And I'm going to do Consent and Probable</p> <p>6 Cause. Do you see that?</p> <p>7 A I do.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. Oops. And filtering that, I see that</p> <p>9 there are -- the results that pop up are 2,989 based on</p> <p>10 this number at the bottom of the corner. Do you see</p> <p>11 that?</p> <p>12 A I agree with that.</p> <p>13 Q Okay. And so does that 2,989 mean that there</p> <p>14 were 2,989 searches based on probable cause and consent</p> <p>15 according to the County's data?</p> <p>16 A There are 2,989 entries into that field that</p> <p>17 meet the standard that you put in.</p> <p>18 Q Sure. So there are 2,989 consent and probable</p> <p>19 cause search records in the County's data for that 3.5</p> <p>20 years?</p> <p>21 A I would agree with that.</p> <p>22 Q And then I'm going to filter again and take off</p> <p>23 the Consent and just do Probable Cause. And so based on</p> <p>24 this information, I'm filtering again, there would be</p> <p>25 2,103 probable cause searches in the approximately 3.5</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 80</p> <p>1 A Aggregate way?</p> <p>2 Q By that I mean just all the traffic stops that</p> <p>3 the County has data on, is there any way to look at how</p> <p>4 long traffic stops are lasting?</p> <p>5 A Yes.</p> <p>6 Q How?</p> <p>7 A Going to the Incident Report Detail reporting</p> <p>8 server, and write a query to say I want all traffic stops</p> <p>9 and then tell me from the start to -- start, end time,</p> <p>10 calculate, and tell me where everything falls.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. Have you ever done that?</p> <p>12 A No.</p> <p>13 Q To your knowledge, has the County ever done</p> <p>14 that?</p> <p>15 A No. We've only investigated complaints.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. So you only look -- the County only</p> <p>17 looks on a complaint-by-complaint basis for the length of</p> <p>18 a stop?</p> <p>19 A Yes --</p> <p>20 Q I'll rephrase, because you're looking confused.</p> <p>21 So to evaluate the length of a stop, that issue</p> <p>22 only comes up when a individual complaint is made.</p> <p>23 A I think I understand what you're saying, but I</p> <p>24 don't quite.</p> <p>25 Q Let me try again.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 79</p> <p>1 years in the County's data. Is that correct?</p> <p>2 A I agree.</p> <p>3 Q So I'm going to take this filter off. And go</p> <p>4 back to all of the data. And you should see -- we're</p> <p>5 back at the regular, full view of all the data; is that</p> <p>6 correct?</p> <p>7 A It doesn't show me the number, but it looks</p> <p>8 like it's correct.</p> <p>9 Q Okay. Is there anything in this spreadsheet,</p> <p>10 in the County's data that indicates how long a traffic</p> <p>11 stop lasted?</p> <p>12 Put this another way. I see you've given me a</p> <p>13 blank look. Does the County track how long a traffic</p> <p>14 stop lasts?</p> <p>15 A Yes.</p> <p>16 Q How?</p> <p>17 A Incident Report Detail. If they check out on</p> <p>18 the traffic stop, it shows from when the time he checked</p> <p>19 out or entered the -- into the traffic incident on the</p> <p>20 MDT to the time he checks back in.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. So you'd have to look at each individual</p> <p>22 traffic stop to determine the length of that stop.</p> <p>23 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>24 Q There's no aggregate way that the County has</p> <p>25 data on multiple traffic stops and the duration?</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 81</p> <p>1 A Because in regards to an individual traffic</p> <p>2 stop, do I track individual traffic stops? Unless</p> <p>3 there's a complaint, we do not.</p> <p>4 We do use approximations and time variations to</p> <p>5 better improve processes. So we use -- we use a lot of</p> <p>6 data for statistical analysis, this being some of that</p> <p>7 data.</p> <p>8 Q Sure. And in this data, in this Exhibit 57,</p> <p>9 there's no column or information that tells the County</p> <p>10 how long a traffic stop lasted; is that fair?</p> <p>11 A Yes, that is correct.</p> <p>12 Q And you just testified that the County has</p> <p>13 never pulled the collective number of how, how long</p> <p>14 traffic stops are lasting?</p> <p>15 A No, that's not what I said.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. Help me understand.</p> <p>17 A We have used it in the past. It is not a</p> <p>18 common practice.</p> <p>19 Q Okay.</p> <p>20 A You asked if I pulled it. Nope, sure haven't.</p> <p>21 Q Sure. And to your knowledge, has the County</p> <p>22 ever done it? Has the County ever pulled how long its</p> <p>23 traffic stops are lasting?</p> <p>24 A I can't speak for the whole county because</p> <p>25 there are several different departments that would use</p>

Page 82

1 that information. But I would say in the Sheriff's
2 Office, we've probably used it maybe two -- I know we
3 used it back in 2010, 2012, when we evaluated from going
4 from a paper citation to an eCitation. And we discovered
5 that by implementing an eCitation, we dropped the traffic
6 stop and the contact on the side of the road by like
7 50 percent.

8 We have used it for other minor things, but not
9 as an aggregate, as I think what you're trying to
10 describe.

11 Q Yeah. And I'm talking about all the data, the
12 big picture. Is there someone looking at the big picture
13 of how long traffic stops are lasting?

14 A I don't think so, in and of itself.

15 Q Okay. I want to go to the Offense Description
16 column. Bear with me while I try to find where that is.

17 A Uh-huh.

18 Q I think it's here. Okay. So my cursor is on
19 the Offense Description column. And I'm going to pull
20 down the menu here. And I'm going to look at some
21 offenses. I'm going to take off the Select All. I'll
22 just do it this way.

23 I see one here, going to start with this first
24 one, Failed To Exhibit License. Can you tell me what
25 that offense is?

Page 83

1 A Parks and Wildlife, you don't have a hunting
2 license, fishing license, something like that.

3 Q Okay. Can you tell me what the offenses of
4 Failed To Display Driver's License means?

5 A When --

6 Q The offense of -- what the offense of Failed To
7 Exhibit Driver's License means?

8 A When the officer has requested your driver's
9 license and you refuse, though you have a valid driver's
10 license, you give him his name and date of birth. Under
11 Texas statute, you are required to present it. When you
12 fail to do that, then that could be, based on the
13 circumstances, could be an offense.

14 Q Okay. I'm going to click that. Do you know
15 what Failed To Display License Receipt is?

16 A Not offhand.

17 Q Okay.

18 A There's a lot of laws in the Traffic Code that
19 are no longer valid, like the presenting your
20 registration paperwork. It's --

21 Q Understood.

22 A So --

23 Q Understood that that's no longer a thing.

24 A They just never get rid of them.

25 Q So I'm going to check Failed To Display

Page 84

1 Driver's License.

2 A Okay.

3 Q And I'm going to filter to only that offense,
4 as I understand it. And then can you look down here in
5 the bottom left-hand corner and tell me what the number
6 is there? I see 787; is that correct?

7 A Correct, I agree.

8 Q So 787 times someone, based on the data, has
9 been pulled over for failing to display their driver's
10 license?

11 A They are not pulled over for failing to display
12 their driver's license.

13 Q Okay. Yeah, you're correct to correct me
14 there. So they are found to have committed the offense
15 of failed to display their driver's license; is that
16 correct?

17 A Okay. I agree.

18 Q And I see in the Violation Stop Result column
19 both citations and warnings; is that correct?

20 A And nulls, yes, ma'am.

21 Q And nulls.

22 A Uh-huh.

23 Q So that means that the Sheriff's Office and
24 Sheriff's officers are finding -- are giving warnings and
25 citations for the offense of Failed To Display Driver's

Page 85

1 License.

2 A Correct.

3 Q I'm going to go back to -- I'm going to take
4 off this filter on Offense Description. So I'm going to
5 select All so we have it back so that all the data is
6 back. And then I'm going to go back to Offense
7 Description again and unselect All -- I think this is
8 right -- and I'm going to search Lane, and I'm going to
9 look at some particular offenses.

10 I see a couple of offenses that might mean the
11 same thing, so you can just correct me if I'm not
12 understanding this right. Failed To Drive In A Single
13 Lane, is that the same as Failed To Maintain A Single
14 Lane?

15 A Offhand I'd have to review the statute. But I
16 believe that they could be the same.

17 Q Okay. So I'll check both of those. And what
18 about Failed To Use Designated Lane? Could that be the
19 same, or is that a different offense?

20 A That is probably a different offense.

21 Q Okay.

22 A You are required to not drive in a bus lane --

23 Q Ah.

24 A -- and people are driving in a bus lane or an
25 HOV lane or something like that. Unfortunately, there's

Page 86	Page 88
<p>1 2,000 and -- I would say that though I'm very</p> <p>2 knowledgeable, I don't know them all by heart, which is</p> <p>3 why I always carry my Penal Code with me.</p> <p>4 Q Do you really?</p> <p>5 A I do.</p> <p>6 Q Where do you keep it?</p> <p>7 A In my car.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. So you always have it just in case?</p> <p>9 A (Nodding head.)</p> <p>10 Q That's interesting. All right. So I'm just</p> <p>11 going to look to see if there's any other lanes. I see</p> <p>12 Failure To Drive In A Single Marked Lane. Would you say</p> <p>13 that's the same as Failed To Drive In A Single Lane or</p> <p>14 Failed To Maintain A Single Lane?</p> <p>15 A Could be.</p> <p>16 Q Should I check that one if I'm trying to get</p> <p>17 all the same offense of Failed To Drive In A Single Lane</p> <p>18 or Failed To Maintain --</p> <p>19 A I would. I would say that that would be most</p> <p>20 of the time used the same thing.</p> <p>21 Q Okay.</p> <p>22 A You're going through one of the things that</p> <p>23 we've always done. We've since changed this, because</p> <p>24 before, the way the County kind of -- there's 2,082</p> <p>25 traffic laws. And the County had offense numbers for</p>	<p>1 a lane?</p> <p>2 A I don't --</p> <p>3 Q I can scroll through if you --</p> <p>4 A I don't think so. I was looking through. I --</p> <p>5 I don't think so.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. So then I'm going to filter based on</p> <p>7 that. And it looks like there are 1,448 stops, according</p> <p>8 to the County's data, where an officer found that a</p> <p>9 person failed to maintain a single lane; is that correct?</p> <p>10 A I agree.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. I'm going to go to the Officer Last Name</p> <p>12 column. Bear with me while I find it.</p> <p>13 I'm going to filter the officer last name. And</p> <p>14 at the time of the stop, I understand that the Criminal</p> <p>15 Interdiction Unit had two officers; is that correct?</p> <p>16 A Yes. I believe at the time there was two</p> <p>17 officers assigned.</p> <p>18 Q And my understanding from prior testimony is</p> <p>19 that was Officer Babb and Officer Gereb; is that correct?</p> <p>20 A I can verify that those two were assigned at</p> <p>21 that time.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. So I'm going to find those names.</p> <p>23 Okay. I'm missing something here.</p> <p>24 A I actually think you were on the wrong column.</p> <p>25 Q Okay, thank you. I was on the wrong -- not</p>
Page 87	Page 89
<p>1 about 400 of them. And then when we would come across</p> <p>2 one of those that went outside that, well, we'll just add</p> <p>3 it to one of the other ones.</p> <p>4 So up until recently, and this was about three</p> <p>5 years ago, we were able to make a change saying that no,</p> <p>6 we're not making our own offense codes. So we've gone</p> <p>7 back to the DPS codes, but I don't think that our</p> <p>8 database has quite caught up.</p> <p>9 Q Sure.</p> <p>10 A Because another one that you'll find in there</p> <p>11 is No Insurance. There's no such law for no insurance.</p> <p>12 It's Failure To Maintain A Financial Responsibility.</p> <p>13 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>14 A Someone like me knows that so when I go to look</p> <p>15 for it, it doesn't say, "Failure To Maintain Financial</p> <p>16 Responsibility." It says, "No Insurance." So it's kind</p> <p>17 of a -- I understand when why they did what they did,</p> <p>18 plain English, make it easy for the officer. But for</p> <p>19 someone that dots I's and cross T's, it makes it</p> <p>20 difficult.</p> <p>21 But yes, I would say offhand, based on the</p> <p>22 three, they would probably all work in synonymous with</p> <p>23 each other.</p> <p>24 Q Okay. And are there any other offenses here or</p> <p>25 options here that I should check for failure to maintain</p>	<p>1 Officer Last Name, I was on Officer First Name. Thank</p> <p>2 you. So I want to check Babb, then go to Gereb. And I</p> <p>3 see 259 as the result; is that correct?</p> <p>4 A I agree.</p> <p>5 MS. HEBERT: Did you happen to write down the</p> <p>6 first filtered number?</p> <p>7 MR. WINDHAM: I did not.</p> <p>8 THE WITNESS: 1,448.</p> <p>9 MR. WINDHAM: You dot I's and --</p> <p>10 MS. HEBERT: You do.</p> <p>11 Q (By Ms. Hebert) And we have 259. So I'm just</p> <p>12 going to go to another spreadsheet and do the division.</p> <p>13 259 divided by 1448. And let's say approximately 17</p> <p>14 percent of the County's data of traffic stops for the</p> <p>15 Failure To Maintain A Lane, Officer Gereb and Officer</p> <p>16 Babb were responsible for in that three-and-a-half years.</p> <p>17 A Okay. I agree with that.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. I'm going to go back to our data, and</p> <p>19 I'm going to clear the Officer Last Name. So go Select</p> <p>20 All, bring it back to all the data. And I'm going to go</p> <p>21 back to the --</p> <p>22 A And you can verify that I was right. 1,448.</p> <p>23 Q Yep. You were right. Good memory.</p> <p>24 I'm going to go back to the offense</p> <p>25 information. Looking for vehicle information. I'm going</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 90</p> <p>1 to go back to offense description, and I'm going to add</p> <p>2 another offense here, or look at a different offense</p> <p>3 here. I'm going to search for lane generally. Lane.</p> <p>4 I'm going to make this bigger so we can all see. I just</p> <p>5 realized I could do that.</p> <p>6 I'm going to deselect Search All results, and</p> <p>7 I'm going to click Changed Lane When Unsafe. I'm going</p> <p>8 to click Failure to Main -- Drive In A Single Lane, the</p> <p>9 same stuff we clicked before, Failure to Signal Lane</p> <p>10 Change. I'm not going to use the Failure To Designate</p> <p>11 Lane, because as I understand it, that's really not</p> <p>12 something we're going to look at on the highway. Failure</p> <p>13 To Drive -- come on -- In A Single Marked Lane. Improper</p> <p>14 Lane Change and Unsafe Lane Change.</p> <p>15 Do you see me do all that?</p> <p>16 A I do.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. Then I'm going to filter that down. And</p> <p>18 do you see the number here in the bottom left-hand</p> <p>19 corner, 2439?</p> <p>20 A I agree.</p> <p>21 Q And that means 2,439 stops for these particular</p> <p>22 offenses are in the County's data?</p> <p>23 A That you selected, yes, ma'am.</p> <p>24 Q Correct. And I'm going to go back over to the</p> <p>25 officers and go to Officer Last Name. Deselect All, then</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 92</p> <p>1 Q That's okay. It's a hard question to answer</p> <p>2 based on the data. But of the offenses we looked at,</p> <p>3 Officer Gereb and Officer Babb, 20 -- or of the offenses</p> <p>4 we looked at, are Officer Gereb and Officer Babb</p> <p>5 responsible for 20, approximately 20 percent of those</p> <p>6 offenses?</p> <p>7 MR. FRIGERIO: Objection, form.</p> <p>8 A Agreed.</p> <p>9 MR. WINDHAM: The thing I would want clarified</p> <p>10 on the record is, for this 3.5-year period.</p> <p>11 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. And just so we're clear,</p> <p>12 that for this 3.5-year period that we looked at for this</p> <p>13 data, Officer Gereb and Officer Babb were responsible for</p> <p>14 approximately a little more than 20 percent of the</p> <p>15 traffic stops for the offenses we just selected for?</p> <p>16 MR. FRIGERIO: Objection, form.</p> <p>17 A I agree.</p> <p>18 Q (By Ms. Hebert) And I'm going to look at just</p> <p>19 for one more time the offenses we selected for. I'm</p> <p>20 looking for the description. The offenses we selected</p> <p>21 for are Failure To Maintain Single Lane, Fail To Signal</p> <p>22 Lane Change, Unsafe Lane Change --</p> <p>23 A There was two more.</p> <p>24 Q And those are the ones that Officer Babb and</p> <p>25 Officer Gereb --</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 91</p> <p>1 select Babb and select Gereb. I'm going to filter that.</p> <p>2 And do you see that 520 is the number in the bottom</p> <p>3 left-hand corner?</p> <p>4 A I see it.</p> <p>5 Q Then I'm going to go back to the math sheet</p> <p>6 because math is not my strong suit. 520 divided by 2439,</p> <p>7 and do you see that 21 -- and I'm going to round that to</p> <p>8 a percentage. Would that amount -- would the conclusion</p> <p>9 of that data analysis that we just did mean that Officer</p> <p>10 Gereb and Officer Babb were responsible for approximately</p> <p>11 20 percent of the offenses we just looked at?</p> <p>12 A I agree.</p> <p>13 Q And generally I'm going to ask kind of the</p> <p>14 bigger picture question. Does that mean that 20 percent</p> <p>15 of the County's offenses that deal with traveling within</p> <p>16 a lane safely Officer Gereb and Officer Babb are</p> <p>17 responsible for?</p> <p>18 MR. FRIGERIO: Objection, form, but you can go</p> <p>19 ahead and answer.</p> <p>20 A You're asking me 20 percent of --</p> <p>21 Q (By Ms. Hebert) We looked at --</p> <p>22 A -- the offenses that you filtered for --</p> <p>23 Q Sure.</p> <p>24 A -- were by Gereb -- I'm sorry, I think you lost</p> <p>25 me halfway through the question.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 93</p> <p>1 A No, there was two more that you had selected, I</p> <p>2 think.</p> <p>3 Q Right. But none of those offenses show up for</p> <p>4 Officer Babb and Officer Gereb. So once --</p> <p>5 A Okay. Oh, yes. Okay.</p> <p>6 Q So we filtered -- we have filtered this Excel</p> <p>7 spreadsheet based on officer last name and the offense</p> <p>8 description; is that correct?</p> <p>9 A But if they're not listed there, wouldn't --</p> <p>10 isn't there -- wouldn't the math be wrong? Because if</p> <p>11 you're showing this for what they have done -- well, I</p> <p>12 guess this is for the 520, right? The 520 that you</p> <p>13 put --</p> <p>14 Q Yes, this is the 520 result here.</p> <p>15 A So the 520 shows those three offenses, okay, I</p> <p>16 agree with that.</p> <p>17 Q So essentially, just to summarize, there are</p> <p>18 Officer Gereb and Officer Babb, according to this data,</p> <p>19 for 3.5 years, pulled 520 people over for unsafe lane</p> <p>20 change, fail to main -- fail to signal lane change and</p> <p>21 fail to maintain a single lane.</p> <p>22 A Based on your filtering that is -- I agree with</p> <p>23 that assessment.</p> <p>24 Q Okay. I am going to take off all of the</p> <p>25 filters. So bear with me as I figure that out. Well,</p>

Page 94	Page 96
<p>1 you know, actually I have just the officer last names on</p> <p>2 here right now, so let's go to that. And what I'm seeing</p> <p>3 is the filters for Gereb and Babb are still on; is that</p> <p>4 correct? Let me look here so you can see it. There's</p> <p>5 Gereb.</p> <p>6 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>7 Q And there's Babb.</p> <p>8 A I agree.</p> <p>9 Q And Gereb and Babb looks like pulled, according</p> <p>10 to this data, pulled over 2,671 people during that 3.5</p> <p>11 years.</p> <p>12 A No.</p> <p>13 Q Okay. Tell me why. What am I missing?</p> <p>14 A Because you see some of those -- I believe we</p> <p>15 saw it earlier, if you get -- if you're issued multiple</p> <p>16 citations --</p> <p>17 Q Sure.</p> <p>18 A -- it looks like there's multiple entries. So</p> <p>19 that doesn't --</p> <p>20 Q Okay.</p> <p>21 A The number of citations don't necessarily</p> <p>22 equate to the number of traffic stops.</p> <p>23 Q So how would I filter that out then?</p> <p>24 A I have no idea.</p> <p>25 Q Okay.</p>	<p>1 A I -- I don't -- I'm not a Excel expert.</p> <p>2 Q Sure. Who would know? Who would be the</p> <p>3 person?</p> <p>4 A I don't -- I don't have anybody like that on my</p> <p>5 staff.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. So you don't have anybody who would be</p> <p>7 able to manage this Excel spreadsheet and tell us how it</p> <p>8 works?</p> <p>9 A What do you mean "to manage"?</p> <p>10 Q Like just how to filter this information so we</p> <p>11 can remove the duplicates to tell --</p> <p>12 A Well, so you take -- we know Jesus Herrera,</p> <p>13 let's go look at the citation data.</p> <p>14 Q Okay.</p> <p>15 A Go all the way to the left. I mean, it would</p> <p>16 be a manual process. So right there -- look, it shows</p> <p>17 right there. So that's how you would do it is you would</p> <p>18 say --</p> <p>19 Q Okay.</p> <p>20 A I think there's a way to do it in Excel where</p> <p>21 you can say find duplicates and remove.</p> <p>22 Q Okay.</p> <p>23 A But that's -- again, I'm not a -- I have</p> <p>24 talents, but I'm not an expert in that. That's why some</p> <p>25 of this stuff is very convoluted and takes time, because</p>
Page 95	Page 97
<p>1 A What I would do, if -- because I'm not that</p> <p>2 guy. But if we go over to the violator and see if we</p> <p>3 start seeing double entries.</p> <p>4 Q I think violator is this way, so let's see.</p> <p>5 A You'll see potentially like some -- Jesus</p> <p>6 Herrera.</p> <p>7 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>8 A Jesus -- Line 3774, he has three entries all</p> <p>9 looking at the same time, same date.</p> <p>10 Q I don't see Line 3774.</p> <p>11 MR. WINDHAM: It's in the middle.</p> <p>12 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Oh, this one, right here?</p> <p>13 A Right. You see that he has three entries?</p> <p>14 Q Sure.</p> <p>15 A All right back to back?</p> <p>16 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>17 A It's not that he got pulled over back to back.</p> <p>18 Then you have Craig Martinson, and then you have Albert</p> <p>19 Herrera. So you have duplicates. So it's not a</p> <p>20 one-for-one equation. So the math is, yes, there's that</p> <p>21 many citations, but it doesn't necessarily mean it's the</p> <p>22 same thing.</p> <p>23 Q Okay. I understand. That's really a helpful</p> <p>24 piece of information. So how would you filter out</p> <p>25 duplicates to evaluate the number of stops?</p>	<p>1 I only know one way. So it's just looking through the</p> <p>2 data.</p> <p>3 Q Sure. And you know, I'm not an Excel Wizard --</p> <p>4 A Right.</p> <p>5 Q -- by any stretch of the imagination. Took me</p> <p>6 a lot to figure this out.</p> <p>7 A The County doesn't pay for anyone on our staff</p> <p>8 to do this. This is us, me and Microsoft Help.</p> <p>9 Q I completely understand. Thank you. And thank</p> <p>10 you for bearing with me as we navigated this.</p> <p>11 A But now we found an easy way of looking at it.</p> <p>12 Because now you can see right there it's not -- if you</p> <p>13 close that menu, you see that there's several times --</p> <p>14 Q There's several stops.</p> <p>15 A So the numbers are not necessarily equating.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. So if someone -- that someone is not</p> <p>17 me --</p> <p>18 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>19 Q -- knew how to remove duplicates, they could</p> <p>20 remove duplicates based off the citation number?</p> <p>21 A I would see that, because that's what I'm</p> <p>22 looking at. I'm seeing like, you know, 94 is in there a</p> <p>23 couple of times.</p> <p>24 Q Right.</p> <p>25 A I would say that that is a valid statement.</p>

Page 98	Page 100
<p>1 Q Okay. Thank you. That's helpful.</p> <p>2 MS. HEBERT: Do you know how to remove</p> <p>3 duplicates?</p> <p>4 MR. WINDHAM: No.</p> <p>5 MS. HEBERT: Okay. That's fine.</p> <p>6 Q (By Ms. Hebert) I think we'll just take a break</p> <p>7 from this then. Oh, there's one thing that I do want to</p> <p>8 look at while we're here. Okay. We're still filtered by</p> <p>9 officer last name of Gereb and Babb; is that correct?</p> <p>10 Right here, in the Officer Last Name?</p> <p>11 A Yes. Did the number change though?</p> <p>12 Q No. Haven't changed. It's still -- here's</p> <p>13 Gereb.</p> <p>14 A I think something's changed, because I --</p> <p>15 THE WITNESS: Do you have the original number?</p> <p>16 THE REPORTER: I could look.</p> <p>17 MS. HEBERT: Let me see. Hold on.</p> <p>18 MR. FRIGERIO: It's 2671, I think.</p> <p>19 THE WITNESS: You're pretty sure it was 2671?</p> <p>20 Okay.</p> <p>21 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Not in terms of the total</p> <p>22 stops. I think that we're still there.</p> <p>23 A I understand.</p> <p>24 Q I'm going to go to the Search column. And I am</p> <p>25 going to click the Options, and I'm going to deselect</p>	<p>1 consent.</p> <p>2 Q And then we get to the consent. So I'm showing</p> <p>3 44 consent searches, according to the County's data, for</p> <p>4 Officer Gereb and Officer Babb for 3.5 years; is that</p> <p>5 correct?</p> <p>6 A Agreed.</p> <p>7 Q And then I'm going to take off Consent and do</p> <p>8 Probable Cause. And I'm showing 103 probable cause</p> <p>9 searches for Officers Gereb and Babb over 3.5 years; is</p> <p>10 that correct?</p> <p>11 A Agree.</p> <p>12 Q And then I'm just going to take the search</p> <p>13 filter off entirely, and it's still filtered based on</p> <p>14 Officer Gereb and Officer Babb. I'm just going to</p> <p>15 control F here for a second, and I'm going to search for</p> <p>16 Schott, which is the Plaintiff's name in this case. And</p> <p>17 it looks like we've selected where Alek Schott is. Do</p> <p>18 you see that? I'm going to scroll down so it's like more</p> <p>19 centered.</p> <p>20 A I see it. 101311 is the designation on the</p> <p>21 line.</p> <p>22 Q Thank you. And would this row reflect the</p> <p>23 County's records, data records for Alek Schott in this</p> <p>24 Exhibit 57 for the stop of Mr. Schott?</p> <p>25 A You would have to move over for the date and</p>
Page 99	Page 101
<p>1 All, and I'm going to just go through the numbers here.</p> <p>2 Consent Search, 44 consent searches.</p> <p>3 A I agree.</p> <p>4 Q And then I'm going to go down to -- this looks</p> <p>5 funky, though, to me, so I just want to make sure we're</p> <p>6 doing this right. I know, bear with me. I just want to</p> <p>7 make sure that our filters are on right, so we're not</p> <p>8 getting any incorrect information.</p> <p>9 MR. WINDHAM: Before you move on, can you just</p> <p>10 hit the drop down arrow at the top there, Christie? I'll</p> <p>11 just point to it.</p> <p>12 MS. HEBERT: This thing.</p> <p>13 MR. WINDHAM: I just want to see what the</p> <p>14 options are up there. Okay.</p> <p>15 Q (By Ms. Hebert) I'm going to go back to the</p> <p>16 officers and just make sure that there's no other filters</p> <p>17 on. No filters, no filters. Just -- and I have no idea</p> <p>18 what the number is right here. I'm just trying to make</p> <p>19 sure that I'm not making any mistake and leaving</p> <p>20 something on. So the filter that is on is Officer Last</p> <p>21 Name, and we have Babb and Gereb.</p> <p>22 A Agreed.</p> <p>23 Q And I don't see any other filters on here. If</p> <p>24 you see one and I'm missing it, give a shout.</p> <p>25 A Just the original one that you have for</p>	<p>1 time so that could be --</p> <p>2 Q Sure.</p> <p>3 A -- verified --</p> <p>4 Q I'll verify the date and time.</p> <p>5 A -- but it does look like --</p> <p>6 Q 3/16/2022.</p> <p>7 A 3/16. That does appear to be the record.</p> <p>8 Q Then I'm going to go all over here. I'm</p> <p>9 going -- bear with me, I'm going all the way over. Do</p> <p>10 you see where it says, "No Search"?</p> <p>11 A I see that.</p> <p>12 Q Does that mean the County's data shows that no</p> <p>13 search was conducted on the traffic stop of Mr. Schott on</p> <p>14 3/16/2022? I'm just referring to this Exhibit 57.</p> <p>15 A For Exhibit 57, that is correct.</p> <p>16 MS. HEBERT: Okay. I'm going to take a brief</p> <p>17 break so I can make sure I've got everything on this</p> <p>18 Excel spreadsheet. So give us five minutes or so. Does</p> <p>19 that work for everybody?</p> <p>20 MR. FRIGERIO: Okay.</p> <p>21 MR. LEAKE: Yes.</p> <p>22 THE REPORTER: We're off the record.</p> <p>23 (Recess from 11:40 a.m. to 11:47 a.m.)</p> <p>24 THE REPORTER: We are back on the record.</p> <p>25 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Thank you. Is there a better</p>

Page 102

1 way of analyzing this spreadsheet that I'm missing? We
2 just walked through a bunch of things, and I just want to
3 make sure that I'm doing -- like if there's something I'm
4 missing in the analysis we just did --
5 MR. FRIGERIO: He'd like to clarify something.
6 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay, sure. What would you
7 like to clarify?
8 THE WITNESS: Which part?
9 MR. FRIGERIO: The no search.
10 THE WITNESS: Oh. So the no search. Without
11 saying it, I -- your last question, the last question
12 that was asked of me, does the data show that there was
13 no search, yes. But this isn't a one-for-one
14 relationship as I explained, right?
15 He, in his report -- based on his report, he
16 said that he had written and issued the citation prior to
17 calling Molina over, which means that at the time that he
18 issued and entered the information on the citation, it
19 would be -- a reasonable person would say that at the
20 time of the issuance of the warning, that no search had
21 been completed.
22 Now, I will not say that I'm an expert when it
23 comes to interdiction type enforcement, though I've done
24 it early in my career, but that was 20 years ago. So the
25 rules on how they do stops -- not really rules, but how

Page 103

1 they operate are a little bit different than what I
2 normally interact with, with like patrolmen. There's
3 expectations, things like that.
4 With reasonable suspicion, they're allowed to
5 extend stops. What that is, I don't know. I know he
6 documented some stuff in his report. But, you know, I
7 didn't go into that. That's not -- that is not my
8 expertise, not my pur- -- you know, not -- it's not my
9 purview, but it's not -- it's not my expertise.
10 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Sure.
11 A So at the time this was issued, and based on
12 the timestamps and what I can remember of the reports, I
13 believe that this warning was actually issued before he
14 called Molina over. My memory was it was 20 to -- or 30
15 to 40 minutes before Molina showed up after he was
16 contacted about this particular stop.
17 Q And what are you -- how are you using the term
18 "issued"? Can you define that in this context?
19 A Issued, that on -- based on the report, he said
20 the initial stop happened. Babb said the initial stop
21 occurred, brought him over to the car to issue the
22 warning. And I think from there, it was like 12 minutes
23 later on, from the time the vehicle was stopped -- I'd
24 have to look at the -- I think it shows on the Incident
25 Detail Report, or one of them, that he documented that he

Page 104

1 issued -- he issued the warning and then sent him on
2 his -- or then called Molina over. But that's just my
3 understanding.
4 Q Okay. I just want to look at Plaintiff's
5 Exhibit 12. This is not a gotcha. Just tell me where on
6 this document is the issue time. Is it on this document?
7 I don't know.
8 A There is an issue time, but I'm not sure it's
9 correct.
10 Q Okay. Tell me where the issue time is.
11 A Time of offense is 8:32, but that's what I --
12 Q I see 9:32. I know you don't have your
13 glasses, so --
14 A Okay.
15 Q -- I'm just going to tell you I see 9:32.
16 A Yeah, 9:32. And if I recall, this incident
17 happened around 11:00.
18 Q Okay.
19 A But if we go in here, I don't know if it's
20 timestamped on the actual citation.
21 Q Sure. Let's look here. Okay. I don't know
22 what I just did.
23 A I don't know if it goes that far into the
24 metadata.
25 Q There's something funky. Because now it's just

Page 105

1 missing entirely. Let me see what we've got filtered
2 here.
3 Is there -- just let me ask this question. Are
4 you -- you're testifying right now on behalf of the
5 County on this --
6 A Yes.
7 Q -- data.
8 A Uh-huh.
9 Q Is there someone else who would have a better
10 understanding of this Excel spreadsheet than you?
11 A No. Not with the County.
12 Q It just feels sometimes like the blind is
13 leading the blind here, so I just wanted to ask.
14 A Yes. The -- I mean, is there someone better
15 than me? Yes. It's called Brazos. Tyler Technologies.
16 Q Okay.
17 A They're the ones that provided it.
18 Q I'm trying to clear out all the filters.
19 A You have a filter on, because it says there is
20 a filter on.
21 Q Right.
22 SERGEANT GAMBOA: Probably the officers.
23 MS. HEBERT: This must be really painful for
24 everybody else in the room as they're watching me
25 navigate this. I'm sorry.

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 106</p> <p>1 THE WITNESS: Well, now try to do it and see if</p> <p>2 it will pick it up.</p> <p>3 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay.</p> <p>4 A I know it's around the 1100, or 111,000 I</p> <p>5 think. That one right there. Go right there.</p> <p>6 Q This one?</p> <p>7 A Yep, that's the one.</p> <p>8 Q And we were looking for -- a timestamp I</p> <p>9 suppose is what we were looking for.</p> <p>10 A Yeah, but now how do we see the time?</p> <p>11 Q So I see 3/16, 9:32, which is the same as what</p> <p>12 we just saw there. Let's make this a lot easier.</p> <p>13 A And this could convolute stuff because his</p> <p>14 computer could have been -- the timestamp's taken from</p> <p>15 the computer, and we've had issues with that in the past</p> <p>16 where our time clock has kind of gone wonky on us.</p> <p>17 They're all set by the, by the server.</p> <p>18 Q Sure. And I'm just trying to understand</p> <p>19 when -- like when the issue point would be.</p> <p>20 A You would have to -- I mean, ultimately, unless</p> <p>21 it's here, we'd have to ask him.</p> <p>22 Q And when you say "issue," does that mean the</p> <p>23 citation is printed?</p> <p>24 A Not necessarily. But I believe that there was</p> <p>25 metadata that might tell us when he started making the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 108</p> <p>1 Q Sure. So let's try to do this together to</p> <p>2 figure out how to do all this. So I'm looking at the</p> <p>3 whole raw data, like everything. There's no filters on.</p> <p>4 You can see there's no filters on the top row.</p> <p>5 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>6 Q I'm going to do something -- make our lives</p> <p>7 easier right now. I know there's a way to do this, so</p> <p>8 just I'm going to freeze, freeze top row. And so maybe</p> <p>9 that will allow us to scroll down and to be the same.</p> <p>10 Let's see. Nope, just that row.</p> <p>11 A You have to -- yeah, you have to freeze --</p> <p>12 Q I'm going to select this row. I don't remember</p> <p>13 how you do that.</p> <p>14 A Yeah. I'm not that great at it. Me, I would</p> <p>15 just delete the top row and make the top row freeze, but</p> <p>16 that's not helping.</p> <p>17 Q Well --</p> <p>18 A That doesn't help.</p> <p>19 SERGEANT GAMBOA: So if you go to the second,</p> <p>20 right under that row, and then hit the freeze, it should</p> <p>21 come under 3.</p> <p>22 MS. HEBERT: I don't know where you're going.</p> <p>23 SERGEANT GAMBOA: Line Number 3.</p> <p>24 MS. HEBERT: Line 2. We're on Line 2.</p> <p>25 SERGEANT GAMBOA: Go to Line 3.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 107</p> <p>1 entry. So that would give us a better understanding of</p> <p>2 when it was selected.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. So I'm going to go back a little bit.</p> <p>4 We talked about duplicates. And I think I know how to</p> <p>5 remove duplicates right now, but the question I have for</p> <p>6 you is, would removing duplicates, to your knowledge,</p> <p>7 change this data at all? The conclusions we were talking</p> <p>8 about --</p> <p>9 A Yes.</p> <p>10 Q -- how would it change it?</p> <p>11 A Might make them less.</p> <p>12 Q Okay. So let's walk through that to make sure</p> <p>13 that I understand what we're doing.</p> <p>14 A Potentially. I don't know.</p> <p>15 Q Yeah.</p> <p>16 A When we looked at the --</p> <p>17 Q Let's look it.</p> <p>18 A When you had --</p> <p>19 Q Let's make sure we're doing it right.</p> <p>20 A You had Babb and you had Gereb selected. And</p> <p>21 it was 2651.</p> <p>22 Q Sure.</p> <p>23 A And then when we filtered certain things out,</p> <p>24 it was still -- it still appeared -- it appeared that</p> <p>25 there were still duplicates there.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 109</p> <p>1 MS. HEBERT: Line 3.</p> <p>2 SERGEANT GAMBOA: Okay. Now, hit freeze.</p> <p>3 MS. HEBERT: Anybody knows where the freeze</p> <p>4 is -- okay. Here's the freeze.</p> <p>5 SERGEANT GAMBOA: So unfreeze it and then</p> <p>6 freeze it.</p> <p>7 MS. HEBERT: See if that works. I feel like it</p> <p>8 might. Nope. Okay. We're just going to go with it.</p> <p>9 Q (By Ms. Hebert) So this is the raw data, right?</p> <p>10 I haven't -- there's no filters on. You can see that.</p> <p>11 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>12 Q We're back at ground zero. Okay. I am going</p> <p>13 to -- as I understand it, I'm going to go to Home.</p> <p>14 A If we're only looking at Schott, what if we</p> <p>15 just filtered by his last name, Schott.</p> <p>16 Q No, I'm going to look at the whole data set</p> <p>17 again.</p> <p>18 A Okay.</p> <p>19 Q So that we can deal with the duplicate</p> <p>20 analysis. So this button comes up, the menu Remove</p> <p>21 Duplicates. You see that?</p> <p>22 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>23 Q And I'm going to unselect All. And we</p> <p>24 previously talked about filtering by citation number, so</p> <p>25 this should filter out the citation number duplicates.</p>

Page 110	Page 112
<p>1 A Okay.</p> <p>2 Q So that we just have the raw number of stops.</p> <p>3 Does that make sense?</p> <p>4 A Makes --</p> <p>5 Q Okay, so I'll do that. So there were some</p> <p>6 duplicates found and this unique values remains. And I'm</p> <p>7 seeing 100,000 -- 125,303 unique stops.</p> <p>8 A Agree.</p> <p>9 Q Is that correct?</p> <p>10 A I agree with that.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. And I'm going to undo that, so just</p> <p>12 click the control Z Undo button. That comes back to our</p> <p>13 original data. Now I'm going to go back to the officers</p> <p>14 and filter by officer last name again. You've got Gereb,</p> <p>15 and then I'm going to do the same thing that I did</p> <p>16 before, which is --</p> <p>17 A Remove duplicates.</p> <p>18 Q -- remove duplicates. We're going to do remove</p> <p>19 duplicates again. And then unselect All and then I'm</p> <p>20 going to do the citation number again. And it's going to</p> <p>21 think real hard. And that doesn't work.</p> <p>22 A No, it did. It shows only 200 -- 2,444.</p> <p>23 Q Okay. So you're looking down here?</p> <p>24 A But it dropped -- I mean, it's still doing the</p> <p>25 whole spreadsheet just because you're filtering.</p>	<p>1 A Okay.</p> <p>2 Q And again, now we have 477. Is that number</p> <p>3 correct?</p> <p>4 A That's what it shows.</p> <p>5 Q Do you think I need to remove the duplicates</p> <p>6 here? I don't believe we have the same problem because</p> <p>7 it should be --</p> <p>8 A No, no. Now, the duplicates are still removed.</p> <p>9 Q Okay.</p> <p>10 A So I don't -- I don't see anything --</p> <p>11 Q Any problem?</p> <p>12 A They should still be removed, because it's</p> <p>13 showing 125,000, which means that --</p> <p>14 Q The duplicates are removed?</p> <p>15 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>16 Q So 477 stops for that -- for -- all right. Let</p> <p>17 me make sure that I'm clear. Exhibit 57 is showing 477</p> <p>18 stops by Officer Gereb and Officer Babb in a 3.5-year</p> <p>19 period for failure to maintain a lane and unsafe lane</p> <p>20 change; is that correct?</p> <p>21 A I agree with that.</p> <p>22 Q All right. So then I'm going to take off the</p> <p>23 officers' last names, but keep on the filter for those</p> <p>24 two offenses.</p> <p>25 A Okay.</p>
Page 111	Page 113
<p>1 Q Got it.</p> <p>2 A But it's -- it took the duplicates out of your</p> <p>3 filter.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. So then that would mean that of all the</p> <p>5 traffic stop data that we have in Exhibit 57, Gereb and</p> <p>6 Babb are responsible for 2,444 stops.</p> <p>7 A I agree.</p> <p>8 Q Is that right?</p> <p>9 A Unique stops, yes.</p> <p>10 Q Unique stops. Okay.</p> <p>11 A Sorry --</p> <p>12 Q What?</p> <p>13 A -- that I'm making you go through all that.</p> <p>14 Q No, it's okay. I mean, I'm making you go</p> <p>15 through it too.</p> <p>16 We have to look at the offense information.</p> <p>17 Okay. I'm going to -- right now we're still filtered by</p> <p>18 Officer Babb and Officer Gereb.</p> <p>19 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>20 Q And I'm going to try to do the same as we did</p> <p>21 before.</p> <p>22 A I think you just put "lane" in the search and</p> <p>23 it made it a little less.</p> <p>24 Q Expedite things faster. Failure -- Failed To</p> <p>25 Maintain A Lane and Unsafe Lane Change.</p>	<p>1 Q And we have 1,612. Am I reading that correct?</p> <p>2 A I agree with that.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. And our percentage is -- let's do this</p> <p>4 in Excel spreadsheet.</p> <p>5 MS. HEBERT: Can you give me the first number,</p> <p>6 the denominator, Josh?</p> <p>7 MR. WINDHAM: 1,612.</p> <p>8 MS. HEBERT: Let's go back to here. So -- give</p> <p>9 me the whole -- both numbers.</p> <p>10 MR. WINDHAM: Well, the denominator is 1,612.</p> <p>11 The numerator is 477.</p> <p>12 MS. HEBERT: 477 divided by, what was that,</p> <p>13 1 --</p> <p>14 MR. FRIGERIO: -- 612.</p> <p>15 MR. WINDHAM: 1612.</p> <p>16 MS. HEBERT: 1612.</p> <p>17 Q (By Ms. Hebert) And I have 29 percent, nearly</p> <p>18 30 percent.</p> <p>19 A I agree with that.</p> <p>20 Q So based on the analysis that we just did,</p> <p>21 Officer Gereb and Officer Babb are responsible for 30</p> <p>22 percent of the County's stops for failure to maintain a</p> <p>23 single lane and unsafe lane change, according to this</p> <p>24 data in Exhibit 57, for 3.5 years.</p> <p>25 A For the designation of, that you filtered for,</p>

Page 114

1 30 percent is correct.

2 Q Okay. And you were very careful in your words

3 there. What was I missing?

4 A I'm trying to resolve in my head, because you

5 keep saying the total traffic stops.

6 Q Uh-huh.

7 A And it's not total traffic stops. It's total

8 traffic stops for the designation. So they wrote 30

9 percent of the tickets for failure to maintain or the

10 unsafe lane change, and I agree with that.

11 Q Okay. Okay. And just so we are clear, Deputy

12 Babb left criminal interdiction; is that right?

13 A I don't know how he --

14 Q Deputy Babb is no longer a criminal

15 interdiction officer today.

16 A That is correct.

17 Q And Deputy Babb was dismissed from the

18 Sheriff's Office; is that correct?

19 A He was terminated.

20 Q And when he was terminated, what was his

21 position?

22 A I believe he was an academy instructor at the

23 time.

24 Q Okay. Then at some point he changed from being

25 a criminal interdiction officer to being an academy

Page 115

1 instructor; is that correct?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Do you know when that change happened?

4 A I do not.

5 Q Okay. So this, we previously talked about how

6 this data ran to 2023, September of 2023; is that

7 correct?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And as of September 2023, was Officer Babb a

10 criminal interdiction officer?

11 A From September on is what you're asking me?

12 Q No, I'm asking -- basically, what I'm trying to

13 get at is the data set we have is from one -- January 1st

14 of 2020, to --

15 A 9/11/20- --

16 Q -- 9/11/2023. And Deputy Babb was not a

17 criminal interdiction officer that entire time, was he?

18 A I don't believe so, but I don't know. No --

19 oh, I see what you're saying. Yes. No, he was not.

20 Q So during that 3.5 years, Deputy Babb was not a

21 criminal interdiction officer for that entire 3.5 years.

22 A Correct.

23 Q When he was an instructor at the academy, was

24 he doing traffic stops as part of his daily duties?

25 A No.

Page 116

1 MS. HEBERT: Okay. I think I'm going to take a

2 break. Can we take a short break? Because I think we're

3 done with the Excel spreadsheet, and I just need --

4 MR. WINDHAM: You made it.

5 MS. HEBERT: I just need a break, because that

6 was a lot.

7 THE REPORTER: We are off the record.

8 (Recess from 12:06 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.)

9 THE REPORTER: We are back on the record.

10 Q (By Ms. Hebert) We're back from lunch. I have

11 to ask you this question. In between lunch and when you

12 returned, did you talk to anybody about this deposition?

13 A Mr. Frigerio.

14 Q I'm not going to ask you about any comments you

15 had with Mr. Frigerio. Anyone else?

16 A No.

17 Q Did you talk to anybody about the content of

18 this lawsuit?

19 A No.

20 Q I do want to clean up one item. Earlier you

21 were talking -- we were talking about the issue date for

22 the citation --

23 A Yes.

24 Q -- and the issue time for the citation. When

25 the citation is issued, does that mean the traffic stop

Page 117

1 is over?

2 A Not necessarily.

3 Q Okay. Tell me why.

4 A When the citation is issued, that means

5 that that part has been done and completed.

6 Normally, on the acceptance and submission of

7 the citation, that's what it means. But if there's

8 reasonable suspicion to carry on further investigation,

9 statute and state or -- and law has given us as long as

10 you have reasonable suspicion to continue.

11 Q Sure. And I just want to make sure I

12 understand your answer, because there were a couple of

13 this's and that's.

14 As I understand it, you're saying that the

15 issuance of the citation means that the part of the

16 traffic stop that deals with the traffic violation --

17 A Right.

18 Q -- is over.

19 A Meaning that this document was complete at that

20 time.

21 Q Just so I understand then, when the citation or

22 the warning is issued, the part of the traffic stop

23 dealing with the traffic violation is over.

24 A Yes.

25 Q Okay. So I want to talk about training. I

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 118</p> <p>1 understand that after an officer completes his or her</p> <p>2 initial training at the academy, and then has their -- I</p> <p>3 think the Sheriff used a term like "breakout," like maybe</p> <p>4 out of an egg, they have their breakout period. They've</p> <p>5 done their time with their patrol training officer.</p> <p>6 After that period, so like after the initial training --</p> <p>7 A He's a full officer.</p> <p>8 Q He's a full officer.</p> <p>9 A Okay.</p> <p>10 Q How does the Sheriff's Office continue to train</p> <p>11 officers?</p> <p>12 A We -- there are several ways. One is if</p> <p>13 something is mandated. Every two years they meet and --</p> <p>14 TCOLE meets and says, Okay, for the next training cycle</p> <p>15 these particular things are hot topics and that we want</p> <p>16 officers trained more, whether it be use of force,</p> <p>17 whether it be on how to deal with mental health. Those</p> <p>18 types of hot button topics, we do a lot of that.</p> <p>19 Sometimes we will have specialty classes that</p> <p>20 break down for those individuals, like crisis</p> <p>21 negotiation, dealing with that type of person. That was</p> <p>22 always a stand-alone class.</p> <p>23 But then we also afford every -- or we require</p> <p>24 the patrolmen to go through 40 hours of training every</p> <p>25 year. TCOLE mandates 40 hours for a two-year period, but</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 120</p> <p>1 2015, 2016 I think.</p> <p>2 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>3 A It does go back that far, where we started</p> <p>4 actually going from the paper-based system so we could</p> <p>5 track the changes and modifications and directives and</p> <p>6 stuff like that in a central location that the officers</p> <p>7 are required to electronically sign off on.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. That's helpful.</p> <p>9 To your knowledge, to the County's knowledge,</p> <p>10 has the Sheriff's Office ever offered interdiction</p> <p>11 training, generally?</p> <p>12 A Define what you mean by "offering."</p> <p>13 Q Provide itself. Has internal training. Has</p> <p>14 the Sheriff's Office ever given internal training --</p> <p>15 A Yes.</p> <p>16 Q -- on interdiction?</p> <p>17 A We have brought -- we have brought experts in</p> <p>18 to train officers. We have hosted classes.</p> <p>19 Have we put a class together and taught it</p> <p>20 ourselves? No.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. And can you tell me about the experts</p> <p>22 you've brought in? Do you happen to know those now?</p> <p>23 A It's -- I don't know which ones are recent.</p> <p>24 I -- that, again, as part of my duties, that's not</p> <p>25 something that I delve into. Interdiction belongs to the</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 119</p> <p>1 we offer -- our in-service training is usually 40 hours,</p> <p>2 and it's on refreshers and, and to start correcting</p> <p>3 issues that we think that people are going off the rails</p> <p>4 or to redirect behavior, or train for new statutes and</p> <p>5 things like that.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. I want to make sure I got all that.</p> <p>7 So there's state mandated training. We can put</p> <p>8 that to the side.</p> <p>9 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>10 Q And then there are specialty classes.</p> <p>11 A Right.</p> <p>12 Q And the Sheriff's Office provides some classes</p> <p>13 that kind of fit in both buckets; is that fair?</p> <p>14 A Yes.</p> <p>15 Q Mandated and specialty classes?</p> <p>16 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. And the Sheriff's Office has in-service</p> <p>18 days?</p> <p>19 A Yes.</p> <p>20 Q Is there any annual training as like a generic</p> <p>21 update on the Sheriff's Office policies?</p> <p>22 A It's usually covered in in-service. But it's</p> <p>23 not as, as policy changes. Policy changes are put out</p> <p>24 through our, a system called power DMS. We have an</p> <p>25 electronic database. It's been in play probably since</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 121</p> <p>1 specialty units.</p> <p>2 Q Sure.</p> <p>3 A So I don't go that far down unless there's a</p> <p>4 reason for it.</p> <p>5 Q Understood. I guess this is a good time to</p> <p>6 just ask you, who is the best person to talk about the</p> <p>7 County's policies and practices on interdiction?</p> <p>8 A Pete Gamboa, Sergeant Gamboa.</p> <p>9 Q Okay. And who is the best person to talk to</p> <p>10 about the County's policies and practices on the Canine</p> <p>11 Unit?</p> <p>12 A Sergeant Ben Olvera.</p> <p>13 Q Okay. I want to look at two exhibits. One has</p> <p>14 previously been admitted as Plaintiff's 14, and it's G in</p> <p>15 our booklet.</p> <p>16 MR. WINDHAM: Charles, do you want the manual?</p> <p>17 MR. FRIGERIO: Probably not, sir.</p> <p>18 MR. WINDHAM: I'm happy to hand it to you.</p> <p>19 It's heavy. Sorry.</p> <p>20 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Again, this exhibit has</p> <p>21 previously been introduced as Plaintiff's Exhibit 14. It</p> <p>22 was marked so.</p> <p>23 Captain, are you familiar with this document?</p> <p>24 A I am familiar.</p> <p>25 Q What is it?</p>

Page 122	Page 124
<p>1 A It is the policy and procedure manual as of --</p> <p>2 this one was current as of August 3, 2021.</p> <p>3 MS. HEBERT: And then I want to introduce</p> <p>4 another exhibit, Exhibit X in our thing, Josh, and this</p> <p>5 exhibit has not previously been introduced. And we're</p> <p>6 going to mark this as Exhibit 58.</p> <p>7 Q (By Ms. Hebert) We're giving you a stack of</p> <p>8 paper. Captain, what is Exhibit 58?</p> <p>9 A Exhibit 58 is the updated policy dated</p> <p>10 April 5th, 2022.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. And which policy manual was in effect at</p> <p>12 the time of this traffic stop, which was March 16, 2022?</p> <p>13 A Should be the August 3rd, 2021, policy.</p> <p>14 Q Okay. And since the policy manual was</p> <p>15 updated -- was the policy manual updated from 2021 to</p> <p>16 August of 2022?</p> <p>17 A Correct. It -- the policy --</p> <p>18 Q Or April of 2022. Excuse me.</p> <p>19 A The policy manual is a living document, so it</p> <p>20 is constantly being updated, which is why we went to the</p> <p>21 power DMS, because it allows us to stop having to publish</p> <p>22 these manuals. And then it's just kept in an electronic</p> <p>23 file cabinet that the officers would then, not only be</p> <p>24 able to reference, but be responsible for, and we know</p> <p>25 that they've received the policy.</p>	<p>1 A I do.</p> <p>2 Q I'm looking at Section 409, Training and Career</p> <p>3 Progression. Do you see where I am?</p> <p>4 A I see.</p> <p>5 Q And I am going to read this paragraph,</p> <p>6 Paragraph A.</p> <p>7 "It is the policy of the Sheriff's Office to</p> <p>8 encourage employees to develop skills and knowledge which</p> <p>9 will better qualify them to perform their work. In</p> <p>10 addition to on-the-job, supervisory and technical</p> <p>11 training provided by the BCSO sheriff's academy,</p> <p>12 employees are encouraged to enroll in outside courses."</p> <p>13 Did I read that correctly?</p> <p>14 A Yes.</p> <p>15 Q How are officers encouraged to enroll in</p> <p>16 outside courses?</p> <p>17 A Not only -- oftentimes they're -- funding is</p> <p>18 always an issue. But we do secure funding through</p> <p>19 different grants and different sources throughout the</p> <p>20 year to send officers to training.</p> <p>21 In addition, officers will go to -- they'll pay</p> <p>22 for a class on their own, and we'll give them the time.</p> <p>23 Instead of utilizing their own time, we give them the</p> <p>24 time as a kind of a carrot to -- because they're still</p> <p>25 doing something in relation to their job duties, to go to</p>
Page 123	Page 125
<p>1 Q Okay. So then now, when you look to pull the</p> <p>2 sheriff's policy manual, do you just pull up the whole</p> <p>3 DMS system?</p> <p>4 A It is -- the DMS -- PowerDMS is a records</p> <p>5 database.</p> <p>6 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>7 A So this is a document --</p> <p>8 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>9 A -- within the DMS.</p> <p>10 Q And all the officers have access to the DMS?</p> <p>11 A Yes.</p> <p>12 Q And if you wanted to search the policy on</p> <p>13 uniform, you go pull up your DMS and you go to the</p> <p>14 chapter on uniform?</p> <p>15 A Yes.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. I just wanted to make sure I understood.</p> <p>17 So it's basically this, but an electronic version.</p> <p>18 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. I'd like to go to Page 33 and 34 of the</p> <p>20 Exhibit -- what did we mark it as?</p> <p>21 MR. WINDHAM: 58.</p> <p>22 Q (By Ms. Hebert) 58. I'm trying to see if I</p> <p>23 have a -- we're going to Section 409. So I think it's</p> <p>24 the first initial 33 page, so -- and I'm looking at Page</p> <p>25 Bates labeled 3546. Do you see where I am?</p>	<p>1 the training, you know: Hey, I -- it's a week training.</p> <p>2 It's \$250. I'll pay the 250. Can I not use my time to</p> <p>3 do it? So --</p> <p>4 Q I'm sorry, I'm trying to understand. I don't</p> <p>5 mean to interrupt you. When you mean use your time, so</p> <p>6 that it's counted as work days, they're not taking PTO.</p> <p>7 A Correct.</p> <p>8 Q And by PTO, I mean paid time off.</p> <p>9 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>10 Q When will the County pay for courses, outside</p> <p>11 courses?</p> <p>12 A When, one, we have the funding, and two, it's</p> <p>13 approved and it coincides with your -- something that</p> <p>14 would benefit the Sheriff's Office.</p> <p>15 Q Okay. And how does the County decide what to</p> <p>16 approve?</p> <p>17 A That's up to the supervisors and then</p> <p>18 ultimately the division chief.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. And I'm assuming that approval process,</p> <p>20 if someone -- if -- scratch that.</p> <p>21 If a course is approved, does that mean the</p> <p>22 supervisor and the other individual you just mentioned</p> <p>23 believe that the outside training would benefit the</p> <p>24 County? You just said that there's a -- that the outside</p> <p>25 courses are approved and that they would benefit the</p>

Page 126	Page 128
<p>1 County. So I'm just trying to shorthand that. So if</p> <p>2 they're approved, does that mean the supervisor believes</p> <p>3 that that training will benefit the County?</p> <p>4 A Yes. But it's not in the same way that you're</p> <p>5 saying. I'm not going to pay for a class and give</p> <p>6 someone work time to go and learn how to crochet, right,</p> <p>7 because that has nothing to do with their job.</p> <p>8 Q Sure.</p> <p>9 A So it has to have something with a function,</p> <p>10 right? If I have a detention officer that is looking to</p> <p>11 take patrol classes, there is a benefit because that's</p> <p>12 someone that will progress further on.</p> <p>13 But I have a civilian that is a office</p> <p>14 personnel, and they want to go take patrol classes. What</p> <p>15 exactly -- what benefits does the County -- because there</p> <p>16 has to be a give and a take. We want them to improve.</p> <p>17 There are other forms and fashions that we</p> <p>18 allow to, you know, we pay -- we help people educate</p> <p>19 themselves, things like that. But it's not -- it</p> <p>20 wouldn't be considered something that we would normally</p> <p>21 use for training funds because they are limited.</p> <p>22 Q Understood. So if a supervisor approves an</p> <p>23 outside training, that supervisor is concluding that the</p> <p>24 training will help the officer in the scope of their</p> <p>25 duties.</p>	<p>1 we have available.</p> <p>2 Q Okay. If one officer gets a training approved,</p> <p>3 does that mean the training's going to be approved for</p> <p>4 other officers?</p> <p>5 I'll give you an example. If Charles applies</p> <p>6 to his supervisor and gets a training approved, does that</p> <p>7 mean when Hector applies next week, the training is also</p> <p>8 going to be approved for Hector?</p> <p>9 A No.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. Explain to me why there might be</p> <p>11 different results.</p> <p>12 A Could be different job duties.</p> <p>13 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>14 A One might benefit more than the other. It</p> <p>15 could also impact the shift. It could impact time off.</p> <p>16 It could impact -- there's a lot of factors that go into</p> <p>17 it. It's not I like Hector and I don't like Charles.</p> <p>18 Q It's okay if that's true.</p> <p>19 A Yeah. But -- and it is true. But that's</p> <p>20 just -- the reality is -- no, there's a lot of things</p> <p>21 that go into what that decision is, you know. If</p> <p>22 Mr. Frigerio put in for a training at the beginning of</p> <p>23 the cycle, obviously there's more funding.</p> <p>24 Q Sure.</p> <p>25 A There's more time to plan to let him off to go</p>
Page 127	Page 129
<p>1 A Yes.</p> <p>2 Q How does a supervisor or the County -- so we're</p> <p>3 going to say the supervisor on behalf of the County --</p> <p>4 evaluate courses? So I guess, and I'll explain. I'll</p> <p>5 unpack that.</p> <p>6 Are there materials that a officer who wants to</p> <p>7 do an outside training has to submit to the County?</p> <p>8 A Normally, yes.</p> <p>9 Q What are those materials?</p> <p>10 A We usually ask for the syllabus. The</p> <p>11 supervisor then will review the class, make sure, one,</p> <p>12 it's a licensed educator, you know. Something that isn't</p> <p>13 just put on by some fly-by-night company that isn't going</p> <p>14 to, you know -- a right wing, left wing, whatever you</p> <p>15 want to call it. Could be a whole lot of reasons why.</p> <p>16 But they do research it to say, yeah, this is a</p> <p>17 valid class, valid training, and then they provide the</p> <p>18 syllabus and the course description and what the officer</p> <p>19 will be learning. And they then evaluate that based on</p> <p>20 all the requests that come in, and then they decide who</p> <p>21 gets what.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. And of the outside courses that a</p> <p>23 supervisor approves, how do they decide what to pay for</p> <p>24 versus not pay for?</p> <p>25 A Oftentimes it has to do a lot with what funding</p>	<p>1 to that training. Whereas Hector finds out about, hey,</p> <p>2 Charles is going to this class in December, and we're at</p> <p>3 the end of November and I'm putting in for it. So</p> <p>4 there's a lot of factors that go into it. It's not</p> <p>5 necessarily based on --</p> <p>6 Q Understood.</p> <p>7 A -- just because one is approved and one is not</p> <p>8 approved.</p> <p>9 Q So if the logistics -- let's just say if the</p> <p>10 logistics works out, the County has the funding and no</p> <p>11 one's going to be left shorthanded, and just the</p> <p>12 logistics of approving the training, all things being</p> <p>13 equal and Charles and Hector are doing the same job,</p> <p>14 would the fact that the training was already approved for</p> <p>15 Charles mean that the training would be approved for</p> <p>16 Hector?</p> <p>17 A Could be. Not necessarily would be.</p> <p>18 There's -- everything -- there's so many things that go</p> <p>19 into it.</p> <p>20 So you normalize other things, but now what we</p> <p>21 also have to look at is, okay, what is his attendance</p> <p>22 like? Does he -- has he not necessarily earned the</p> <p>23 right? But if his job performance here is subpar and I</p> <p>24 need him concentrating on these things, would this</p> <p>25 training help him? Okay. Then that more than likely is.</p>

Page 130	Page 132
<p>1 But it's not a definitive just because one gets approved 2 one doesn't.</p> <p>3 It could be a train-the-trainer class, which 4 means that I can save a whole lot of money by sending 5 Charles, pay an extra hundred dollars, he now comes back 6 and then starts training our department.</p> <p>7 Q Understood. Understood. That's helpful. 8 I'm going to read the next page. We're going 9 to go to the next page and look at B. So we'll read B on 10 BC 3547. I'm going to read it out loud.</p> <p>11 "It is important that the BCSO personnel office 12 is aware of any special training that employees receive, 13 whether on the job or otherwise. Continuing education is 14 a matter of record with the BCSO and one of the factors 15 considered in determining the best candidates for 16 promotion or special assignments."</p> <p>17 Did I read that correctly? 18 A Yes.</p> <p>19 Q And just generally, why is it important that 20 the Sheriff's Office is aware of special training? 21 A So as we learned earlier with the spreadsheet, 22 the County has had an issue with properly staffing 23 certain positions. IT being one, right? The County, as 24 much as we all love working for the government, doesn't 25 pay as well. And after COVID, if you have an IT</p>	<p>1 if the Sheriff's Office knows about specialized training 2 or specialized aptitudes, it can use those when it needs 3 them.</p> <p>4 A Yes.</p> <p>5 Q Is that fair? 6 A Yes.</p> <p>7 Q I want to look at another exhibit, Exhibit GG. 8 Now, I'll kind of just talk generally while 9 Josh is getting this out. Did the County submit cell 10 phones in this case for forensic examination? 11 A Okay, now we just went way -- we went somewhere 12 different.</p> <p>13 Q Yes.</p> <p>14 A Did the County submit cell phones? Yes. I 15 think it was one personal phone and two, maybe three 16 County cell phones that you requested.</p> <p>17 Q Right. I have it somewhere.</p> <p>18 MR. WINDHAM: Let me know when you want me to 19 hand this to you.</p> <p>20 Q (By Ms. Hebert) I believe it was -- let's 21 see -- the personal phone of Joel Babb, the County phone 22 of Sergeant Gamboa, the County phone of Deputy Molina, 23 the County phone of Officer Gereb, and the personal phone 24 of Officer Gereb. That's what I have as their records, 25 correct?</p>
Page 131	Page 133
<p>1 background, you get paid stupid money out in the real 2 world.</p> <p>3 So what is occurring is they have to find 4 people like me that have specialty skills or that can 5 learn specialty skills. One of the biggest things that 6 has happened was during the 2018 -- when we had Trayvon 7 and then -- the Martin case, and then you had George 8 Floyd and stuff like that.</p> <p>9 One of the disconnects that we found was having 10 suitable representation for groups, whether it was for 11 LBGT, LBGT, autism, Jewish, Muslim. And we -- he 12 started -- the Sheriff decided that, hey, listen, we can 13 continue to try to beat our head against the wall to try 14 to find, you know, to try to get funding for this, or we 15 can ask our employees to take on another hat and help us 16 with that.</p> <p>17 So we have representations, or representative 18 people that will go out and they're representatives, so 19 that if you're having an issue within your community that 20 you have someone specifically that you can come back and 21 address your issues and bring those to the Sheriff's 22 Office, and we -- you know, trying to be mindful, we try 23 to work with them to better their community and their 24 lives.</p> <p>25 Q Okay. So I guess that was a great example of</p>	<p>1 A Correct. The only one that I was not 2 responsible for giving over was Babb because he was, I 3 believe, in the process of being terminated.</p> <p>4 Q Understood. Understood. And is the County 5 aware that the forensic examination was completed? 6 A Yes.</p> <p>7 Q And results from the forensic examination was 8 provided to all the parties in this litigation? 9 A That was what the court order said.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. I'm going to hand you what has been 11 marked Exhibit 59. I'm going to represent to you that 12 this is the conversation that the parties received from 13 the forensic examiner from Sergeant Gamboa, labeled as 14 Conversation Number 32. Do you see that at the top of 15 the page? 16 A I do.</p> <p>17 Q And I'm just going to highlight, this is a text 18 message, as far as we understand, from Officer Ortega to 19 Sergeant Gamboa. And it says: Hey Sergeants -- which is 20 how I understand "Sgts"; is that correct? 21 A I would -- yes.</p> <p>22 Q "Since I'll be out of town for the weekend, I'm 23 going to need y'all to send the weekly reports for your 24 respective units, please. Ochoa-K9, Gamboa-Interdiction, 25 and Steve just combine SCU/GANG please."</p>

Page 134	Page 136
<p>1 Do you see that?</p> <p>2 A I do.</p> <p>3 Q Did I read that correctly?</p> <p>4 A Yes.</p> <p>5 Q Okay. What are the weekly reports?</p> <p>6 A Excuse me?</p> <p>7 Q What are the weekly reports?</p> <p>8 A That is their statistical and descriptive of</p> <p>9 what their units, their officers are doing for the week.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. And when I see Gamboa-Interdiction, does</p> <p>11 that mean that Sergeant Gamboa was responsible for</p> <p>12 providing a weekly report to Officer Ortega?</p> <p>13 A Ray Ortega was -- is and was a lieutenant over</p> <p>14 Special Operations. And based on the wording, I would --</p> <p>15 I would agree with you.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. Has the County provided any weekly</p> <p>17 reports in this litigation?</p> <p>18 A I am not aware that that was asked for. If you</p> <p>19 could point out in the request for production.</p> <p>20 Q Sure. We'll look at the records on the request</p> <p>21 for production and I'll get back to you on that.</p> <p>22 Have you seen a weekly report for interdiction?</p> <p>23 A No.</p> <p>24 Q So the County -- you on behalf of the County</p> <p>25 doesn't know what a weekly report for interdiction looks</p>	<p>1 A I'm understanding.</p> <p>2 Q Did the criminal interdiction officers receive</p> <p>3 any specialized training from the Sheriff's Office</p> <p>4 itself? And by that I mean the Sheriff's Office provided</p> <p>5 the training, did the instructing. Because I know</p> <p>6 there's a lot of provision --</p> <p>7 A I am not aware of the Sheriff's Office</p> <p>8 providing the instruction other than facilitating an</p> <p>9 outside instructor.</p> <p>10 Q That's fine. I'm going to look at Exhibit M in</p> <p>11 our stuff, and then I'll pass it to you. And this was</p> <p>12 previously admitted as Exhibit 54.</p> <p>13 (Discussion off the record.)</p> <p>14 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Captain, can you tell me what</p> <p>15 this exhibit, Exhibit 54 is?</p> <p>16 A It's a TCOLE roster listing.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. And there are more pages than just that</p> <p>18 page. Can you flip through and tell me what the</p> <p>19 collective documents are? And I'll represent to you this</p> <p>20 is how we received them from the County, so --</p> <p>21 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>22 Q -- as a collection.</p> <p>23 A This is a submission -- the first, I don't</p> <p>24 know, Page 2 and Page 3 are the evaluation for training</p> <p>25 verification --</p>
Page 135	Page 137
<p>1 like?</p> <p>2 A I do not.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. And we'll get the RFP number for you.</p> <p>4 We'll come back to that for you.</p> <p>5 While I'm on the topic of reports, yesterday</p> <p>6 the Sheriff testified that the command staff meets</p> <p>7 weekly. Are you aware of that?</p> <p>8 A I am.</p> <p>9 Q Are there minutes from the weekly command staff</p> <p>10 meetings?</p> <p>11 A I am not aware of any minutes, but I also don't</p> <p>12 participate as an active person --</p> <p>13 Q Sure.</p> <p>14 A -- in command staff.</p> <p>15 Q Sure. But are you the person the County has</p> <p>16 designated to speak on behalf of records?</p> <p>17 A I am.</p> <p>18 Q And how would you find out if there are minutes</p> <p>19 from the weekly command staff meetings?</p> <p>20 A I don't believe there are minutes because they</p> <p>21 don't have any office assistants. There's nobody there</p> <p>22 designated to take minutes.</p> <p>23 Q Okay. I'm going to go on to a little more</p> <p>24 training. I'm going to jump around a little bit here</p> <p>25 just because I'm trying not to keep us here forever.</p>	<p>1 Q Sure.</p> <p>2 A -- for outside training. There is a process</p> <p>3 that we put together that when, in order for the officer</p> <p>4 to get credit, TCOLE credit, because remember there's so</p> <p>5 many mandated hours that you have to have every year.</p> <p>6 Q Sure.</p> <p>7 A It goes on their transcript. They have to</p> <p>8 submit a course description, they have to submit a, the</p> <p>9 syllabus. They have to submit a -- I believe they have</p> <p>10 to submit something on the instructor. They have to</p> <p>11 submit a summary of what they learned and how it's going</p> <p>12 to be applied. And they -- I think that's pretty much --</p> <p>13 they keep changing it, so I'm trying to remember what it</p> <p>14 currently was versus what it was. But I think that's</p> <p>15 about it. They submit that to the academy. That's</p> <p>16 reviewed by the academy commander. Here it shows Raul</p> <p>17 Garza, which was the academy commander. And he approved</p> <p>18 them under the TCOLE course 3408 for 16 hours.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. So I guess my question is, this whole</p> <p>20 collection of documents I believe -- I want you to</p> <p>21 correct me if I'm wrong -- are the documents that the</p> <p>22 County produced in response to our request that Deputy</p> <p>23 Babb's interdiction training records be produced; is that</p> <p>24 correct?</p> <p>25 A This -- correct. This is what we had on file,</p>

Page 138

1 and this is what was provided.

2 Q For his interdiction training.

3 A For his interdiction training. Right. I can't

4 remember -- I think it was Request for Production 61,

5 or thereabouts.

6 Q Okay. I just want to make sure --

7 A Yes.

8 Q -- that I'm understanding it correctly.

9 A Yes. This is the -- these are the documents

10 for outside training, and you can see that he has the --

11 here's the syllabus, here's the biography of the

12 instructor, the course attendance sheets, and the

13 evaluation.

14 Q Okay. And I'm going to just take a step back.

15 You had asked me for the RFP number. RFP 40: All

16 documents concerning reports on BCSO's criminal

17 interdiction activities and the results of those

18 activities, including any such reports submitted to the

19 Bexar County Commissioners Court or used to support

20 budget processes.

21 So just basically all the criminal interdiction

22 reports.

23 A Then that is a failing on my part because

24 that's not how I understand it. But -- because though

25 it's a report, it's not used for budget. It wasn't used

Page 139

1 for budget. It wasn't used to present to Commissioners

2 Court.

3 Q Sure. And just to be clear, that request is

4 including such reports, but it's not --

5 A Right.

6 Q -- the only such reports.

7 A Then I will tell you that's a failing on my

8 part. I misunderstood what you were asking for.

9 Q Sure. So I'm going to ask you and your

10 attorney, will the County be providing the weekly

11 interdiction reports following this deposition?

12 MR. FRIGERIO: Can you give me a time frame?

13 MS. HEBERT: Within a week.

14 MR. FRIGERIO: No, what range? I mean, you

15 said weekly reports.

16 MS. HEBERT: The same as the request, Charles.

17 Our request is limited in scope in terms of dates. I

18 believe --

19 MR. WINDHAM: January 1st, 2020, through

20 present.

21 MS. HEBERT: And we are, we've got depositions

22 next week, the first of which is Tuesday -- what's the

23 date on Tuesday?

24 MR. WINDHAM: The 23rd.

25 MS. HEBERT: 23rd.

Page 140

1 MR. WINDHAM: Yes.

2 MS. HEBERT: So, I mean, the sooner the better,

3 Charles, given that we are doing a deposition on Tuesday,

4 the 23rd.

5 THE WITNESS: I believe I can meet that time

6 frame.

7 MS. HEBERT: Okay.

8 THE WITNESS: I'll have a better answer for you

9 tomorrow, but it might be as soon as tomorrow, because

10 those should be one central location.

11 MS. HEBERT: Sure. Thank you.

12 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. We can go back to

13 Exhibit 54. I'm going to have a couple of questions for

14 you about Exhibit 54.

15 A Okay.

16 Q Look at the first page.

17 A Okay.

18 Q Now, I think you were answering this already,

19 but I just want to make sure I understand. BC 11512 I

20 see instructor as Raul Garza, but I thought Raul Garza

21 was a BC -- or a Sheriff's Office officer. So why would

22 it say Instructor Garza?

23 A Because that is what goes in our system. He is

24 the academy commander. He is an instructor. But he is

25 the instructor commander that is reviewing all the

Page 141

1 documentation saying that it is legitimate and correct

2 and submitting it to TCOLE.

3 Q Got it.

4 A They don't --

5 Q So he didn't actually teach a course?

6 A No, ma'am. This is for outside instruction.

7 Q Okay. And looking to the next page, BC 11513

8 and then going forward to 11543, and you'll stop at

9 11543. These are generally the kinds of materials that

10 the County requires an officer to submit in getting

11 outside training approved; is that correct?

12 A Yes. There is the critique evaluation. Here's

13 the form that gives the initial description. It has the

14 learning objectives.

15 Q Sure.

16 A It has basically the course syllabus. It has a

17 biography. Obviously we don't want to be trained by

18 people of less moral character. How they're going to

19 train, what they're going to train. It has the rosters.

20 I'm not sure if this was two, two courses. It looks like

21 they might be --

22 Q I think there's several courses in here.

23 A Yeah.

24 Q And we'll go through some of them.

25 A So, but yeah, but that's -- it has the stuff.

Page 142

1 And then based on the number you told me to stop at, that
2 looks like the documentation needed for TCOLE in order
3 for us to submit, and we have to keep record of it as
4 part of his training file.
5 Q Sure. Can we go to 11546. And looking at
6 11546, this seems to be the same form we looked at at the
7 beginning that was 11513, just the updated version of
8 that form. As far as I can tell, 11546 is an individual
9 request to attend a training course/seminar, and the
10 other one was an outside training verification.
11 It's my understanding they're essentially the
12 same kind of form, just one's the more recent version?
13 A No, they're not the same.
14 Q Tell me more.
15 A The outside training form, if you read here at
16 the bottom, Outside Training Verification, this is a
17 TCOLE form.
18 Q Okay.
19 A This is what we submit when we as an academy or
20 an instructor accepts and reports to TCOLE the hours and
21 that it meets the request. The 11546 is the internal
22 document that gives him approval to attend this class.
23 Q Okay. That's very helpful. And so the 11546
24 document, you see the course name. Name of Course:
25 Identifying Criminal Vehicles and Occupants/Street Cop

Page 143

1 Training.
2 Did I read that correctly?
3 A Yes.
4 Q And what's the date on this submission?
5 A The submission was 5/31/2021.
6 Q Okay. And the date of the course was
7 July 19th, 2021. Am I reading that right?
8 A Yes.
9 Q And it seems like the justification for the
10 training was criminal interdiction training, job
11 performance improvement. Am I reading that correctly?
12 A Yes.
13 Q And I see four signatures on this approval
14 form. Are you -- am I counting the same as you?
15 A Yes.
16 Q And can you tell me -- I can't always read the
17 handwriting, so I just want to make sure that we are
18 reading all the same. The first one, is that Sergeant
19 Gamboa?
20 A Yes.
21 Q And then the second one, sometimes I know that
22 the signatures don't necessarily match up with the name,
23 so is that Lieutenant Ortega?
24 A Correct.
25 Q And then followed by Deputy Chief or

Page 144

1 Director -- and I have no idea what that signature is.
2 A Deputy Chief Nancy Sanford. She's over CID.
3 Q Okay. And then the final signature?
4 A Is Deputy, or Assistant Chief Deputy Roland
5 Schuler.
6 Q Okay. So that means that all four of these
7 people whose signatures are here on 11546 approved the
8 training?
9 A Right. This is the -- that is his -- at the
10 time of 2021, that was his -- oh, gosh, the chain of
11 command. There was not a captain over --
12 Q Oh, I get it.
13 A -- organized Crime at the time, which is why
14 you see there's a blank spot there.
15 Q So essentially these four signatures, everyone
16 in Deputy Babb's chain of command approved the training
17 you see at 11546.
18 A Yes, it appears that way.
19 Q Okay. And then just flipping to the next page,
20 it seems like BC 11548 and 11549 are the materials, the
21 course materials that go with 11546. Is my understanding
22 correct?
23 A Yes. This is what we had talked -- when you
24 had asked me earlier, this is one of the things that they
25 would use to verify whether it's an approved class. This

Page 145

1 is one of the things they would use to verify. So more
2 than likely, not only do you submit this, but the
3 supervisors, mainly Sergeant Gamboa, would probably go to
4 Street Cop Training to make sure that it complies and
5 it's what we -- it complies with our mission.
6 Q Right. And by approving the training, Sergeant
7 Gamboa is saying this Street Cop Training complies with
8 the Sheriff's Office's mission.
9 A Yes.
10 Q Did Sergeant Gamboa go to this training?
11 A I don't have his record in front of me.
12 Q Okay. And did you go to this training?
13 A Did I? No.
14 Q Okay. I wanted to look at the next page as
15 well, BC 11550. This seems to be a very similar form,
16 and so I'm not going to repeat everything here for you.
17 But I just wanted to ask you, there's a void at the top.
18 And I just wanted to know what that meant. Does that
19 mean the training was canceled or not approved? I
20 just -- what does the void mean here?
21 A Well, looking at this, it was approved all the
22 way down to Chief Sanford, but it could have been that
23 they decided not to go -- they decided not to send him.
24 It could be that he decided -- as we talked earlier, that
25 he transferred. So I don't know exactly how those dates

Page 146	Page 148
<p>1 align. No, this isn't 2021, so he would still have been</p> <p>2 there. I don't know why. It just wasn't -- they didn't</p> <p>3 go through with it.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. So it means this training didn't happen.</p> <p>5 A Correct.</p> <p>6 Q Okay.</p> <p>7 A Or there could have been an issue with the form</p> <p>8 that they wanted to change. But it's a conference. We</p> <p>9 could have had something else that had come up at the</p> <p>10 same time where there was a conflict. There's a lot of</p> <p>11 reasons. But it does not appear that he went to the</p> <p>12 training.</p> <p>13 Q Sure. And no problem. I just wanted to</p> <p>14 understand.</p> <p>15 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>16 Q And then I see a couple of certificates at the</p> <p>17 back here. And these certificates generally mean that</p> <p>18 Deputy Babb completed these trainings; is that your</p> <p>19 understanding -- the County's understanding?</p> <p>20 A Yes. Well, on 1556, yes, it looks like he,</p> <p>21 that was for Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration.</p> <p>22 Q Sure.</p> <p>23 A For 11557 that looks like a certificate for the</p> <p>24 Street Cop Training.</p> <p>25 Q Okay. And just to stop you on that one.</p>	<p>1 A I would need the --</p> <p>2 Q -- and I can help you get to it.</p> <p>3 A -- the Incident Detail Report for the stop.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. Let's look at Plaintiff's Exhibit 5,</p> <p>5 which is our B. We're going to hand you what's been</p> <p>6 previously marked Plaintiff's Exhibit 5.</p> <p>7 A Okay.</p> <p>8 Q Do you know what this is?</p> <p>9 A I do. It's the incident detail report from</p> <p>10 when Deputy Joel Babb issued the warning, began his stop</p> <p>11 and then completed his stop.</p> <p>12 Q Okay. Based on this record, the Incident</p> <p>13 Detail Report, how long was Mr. Schott detained?</p> <p>14 A Are you okay with an approximation or --</p> <p>15 Q Approximation is fine.</p> <p>16 A Looks like an hour and 15 minutes, thereabouts.</p> <p>17 Q And was any, were any -- I don't know if it was</p> <p>18 or were. Were any contraband -- was any contraband</p> <p>19 discovered --</p> <p>20 A Um --</p> <p>21 Q -- during the stop of Mr. Schott?</p> <p>22 A The -- no. No contraband was discovered during</p> <p>23 the stop.</p> <p>24 Q Okay. You can put that aside for now. I'm</p> <p>25 going to go to what's been previously admitted as</p>
Page 147	Page 149
<p>1 A Oh.</p> <p>2 Q So this certificate then means that Deputy Babb</p> <p>3 completed the Street Cop conference training on</p> <p>4 October 4th, 2021, and he provided that, those materials,</p> <p>5 evidence of the completion of that training to the</p> <p>6 County?</p> <p>7 A Yes.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. We don't need to go through every single</p> <p>9 certificate. I just wanted to make sure that --</p> <p>10 A Oh, okay.</p> <p>11 Q -- I understood everything.</p> <p>12 Okay. Now I want to talk about the traffic</p> <p>13 stop of Mr. Schott. Can you, based on the County's</p> <p>14 perspective, can you just confirm what traffic violation</p> <p>15 Mr. Schott was stopped for?</p> <p>16 A To the best of my recollection -- well, I</p> <p>17 actually have it here. He -- the violation --</p> <p>18 Q Hold on. Let the record reflect that the</p> <p>19 Captain's consulting Plaintiff's Exhibit 12.</p> <p>20 A Oh, sorry. Failure, or failed to maintain a</p> <p>21 single lane, warning, no fine.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. And based on the County's record, how</p> <p>23 long was Mr. Schott detained? And if you don't know,</p> <p>24 ask -- tell me what record would help you identify</p> <p>25 that --</p>	<p>1 Exhibit 55. And in our records it is U.</p> <p>2 (Discussion off the record.)</p> <p>3 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. And I'm going to start</p> <p>4 with Exhibit 55 by not starting with the first page, but</p> <p>5 I'm going to go to the page that's labeled BC 11584. And</p> <p>6 do you know what this is?</p> <p>7 A Yes.</p> <p>8 Q What is this, the pages that you're seeing in</p> <p>9 1155 -- 11584 and 11589 [sic] and 11586, what are those</p> <p>10 pages?</p> <p>11 A This is the second part of the process for</p> <p>12 dismissal of -- seeking dismissal from Deputy Joel Babb.</p> <p>13 Q And the first part being Notice of Order of</p> <p>14 Dismissal?</p> <p>15 A Right. Per the CBA rules, we are required to</p> <p>16 give them a proposed notice. And after that, I think</p> <p>17 it's ten days and his first part of the Loudermill, then</p> <p>18 the order should be going into effect. Or if it's at the</p> <p>19 end of his Loudermill. I'd have to -- I could tell you.</p> <p>20 Q That's okay. I mean, to the general -- there's</p> <p>21 a Notice of Proposed Dismissal --</p> <p>22 A Right.</p> <p>23 Q -- and this is the Order of Dismissal. Is that</p> <p>24 fair that this is the Order of Dismissal?</p> <p>25 A This is the -- this is the enactment of the</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 150</p> <p>1 order saying that you are no longer going to be here.</p> <p>2 Q Okay. And so through this piece of paper, the</p> <p>3 County notified Joel Babb that he was being terminated;</p> <p>4 is that correct?</p> <p>5 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. And do you see nearly all the way down</p> <p>7 of this page of 1150 -- of 11584, do you see the specific</p> <p>8 reasons?</p> <p>9 A I do.</p> <p>10 Q And is it correct to say that this section of</p> <p>11 the order, all the way to "Present at the hearing were</p> <p>12 the following," on BC 11585, sets out the reasons that</p> <p>13 the County terminated Joel Babb? It's not a trick</p> <p>14 question.</p> <p>15 A No, I'm just verifying because -- but yes, I</p> <p>16 agree with that, that those are the reasons for why he</p> <p>17 was terminated.</p> <p>18 Q Sure. And I think a way to shortcut this might</p> <p>19 be, was Deputy Babb terminated for turning off his mobile</p> <p>20 recording device, which is A, failing to activate his</p> <p>21 mobile recording device, and dishonesty, which is C -- A,</p> <p>22 B and C?</p> <p>23 A You bring them up as individually. We look at</p> <p>24 them as cumulative.</p> <p>25 Q Sure.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 152</p> <p>1 Q Okay. I just -- the no was a little ambiguous</p> <p>2 on the record so I just want to make --</p> <p>3 A Oh, okay.</p> <p>4 Q -- clear. 11584 to 11585 are the reasons, the</p> <p>5 only reasons --</p> <p>6 A Yes.</p> <p>7 Q -- that Officer Babb was terminated.</p> <p>8 A That is correct, ma'am.</p> <p>9 Q Okay. Officer Babb testified, or Mr. Babb</p> <p>10 testified that at the time he was placed on leave for the</p> <p>11 allegations concerning this lawsuit, he was already on</p> <p>12 leave for some kind of investigation or allegations that</p> <p>13 he was having an affair with another officer's wife. Are</p> <p>14 you familiar with that?</p> <p>15 A I am familiar.</p> <p>16 Q Can you tell me more about why Officer Babb was</p> <p>17 initially placed on leave?</p> <p>18 A I provided the -- we provided the documentation</p> <p>19 for that. Apparently -- I can't -- I don't remember that</p> <p>20 one in depth because I never really covered it. We</p> <p>21 provided it because it was part of the discovery.</p> <p>22 Q Sure.</p> <p>23 A Apparently, he was living or -- and had a good</p> <p>24 friendship with another officer. And during that time</p> <p>25 frame, he developed a relationship with the officer's</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 151</p> <p>1 A So the dishonesty, in and of itself, is enough</p> <p>2 for termination. The other two in and of themselves, by</p> <p>3 themselves, would not necessarily necessitate</p> <p>4 termination. We have a discipline matrix that would</p> <p>5 govern that, but could.</p> <p>6 Q Understood. So in this particular instance</p> <p>7 with Officer Babb, these three reasons, A, B and C, were</p> <p>8 the reasons that Officer Babb was terminated,</p> <p>9 collectively.</p> <p>10 A Yes. He lied about the camera.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. So just to kind of get to the nutshell</p> <p>12 of it, Officer Babb was terminated for lying about his</p> <p>13 dash cam.</p> <p>14 A Yes.</p> <p>15 Q Did the County dismiss Officer Babb for</p> <p>16 violating any other policies not listed here in 11585?</p> <p>17 A Um --</p> <p>18 Q And I'm not trying to trick you here. It's</p> <p>19 basically --</p> <p>20 A Right. So the policy violations are listed in</p> <p>21 11584.</p> <p>22 Q Okay.</p> <p>23 A So these are the policy violations. The</p> <p>24 actions go over both pages. And no, this is what we used</p> <p>25 to determine that he was being dismissed.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 153</p> <p>1 wife, and that relationship turned physical at some</p> <p>2 point.</p> <p>3 Q Sure.</p> <p>4 A That's not a -- that was a moral issue that we</p> <p>5 had. I know -- I think, if I recall correctly, he was</p> <p>6 offered a suspension. Even though that happened after</p> <p>7 this, it was because of the discovery -- not discovery</p> <p>8 for -- the discovery of the discrepancy when I started</p> <p>9 doing the discovery for this case when we pulled the --</p> <p>10 when we were requested to pull the physical logs for the</p> <p>11 cameras.</p> <p>12 Obviously, one is probably a little bit more</p> <p>13 complicated than the other, which is why, even though</p> <p>14 they were running kind of simultaneously, you made a</p> <p>15 statement that Babb related that he was put on leave as</p> <p>16 part of this lawsuit. He was never put on leave as part</p> <p>17 of this lawsuit. He was put on leave because of the</p> <p>18 dishonesty. And he was previously on leave because of</p> <p>19 the potential type of charges, the moral, moralistic</p> <p>20 charges initially for the sleeping with the -- the</p> <p>21 accusation of sleeping with another officer's wife.</p> <p>22 Q Understood. And I appreciate you making sure</p> <p>23 that everything's precise and cleaned up.</p> <p>24 What were the results of any -- let me back up</p> <p>25 a second. The accusation that he was sleeping with</p>

Page 154	Page 156
<p>1 another officer's wife, was that investigated?</p> <p>2 A Yes.</p> <p>3 Q And what were the conclusions of that</p> <p>4 investigation?</p> <p>5 A There were sustainments in some of the -- I</p> <p>6 believe. And I believe he was offered, to the best of my</p> <p>7 recollection, was a hefty suspension. I want to say it</p> <p>8 was like 30 or 45 days. But I could be wrong. I --</p> <p>9 unfortunately, I do see a lot of these, so --</p> <p>10 Q Sure.</p> <p>11 A But I know -- if I recall correctly, that there</p> <p>12 was something founded and that he was facing a suspension</p> <p>13 when this one was completed and then reared its ugly</p> <p>14 head.</p> <p>15 Q Sure. And do you know when that conclusion</p> <p>16 about the suspension for the allegations of an affair was</p> <p>17 reached? When did that -- when was that investigation</p> <p>18 concluded, is basically what I'm trying to ask.</p> <p>19 A I don't remember the dates. I know they're on</p> <p>20 the forms, and that I -- they were provided. Initially,</p> <p>21 when we met with the Federal Magistrate in, I think it</p> <p>22 was February or March --</p> <p>23 Q When we had --</p> <p>24 A We had --</p> <p>25 Q -- the motion to compel?</p>	<p>1 MR. FRIGERIO: You specifically asked about --</p> <p>2 THE WITNESS: Yeah.</p> <p>3 MR. FRIGERIO: -- what was the name of the</p> <p>4 complainant in your request.</p> <p>5 THE WITNESS: Yeah, you asked about these two,</p> <p>6 and we provided them.</p> <p>7 MS. HEBERT: Okay.</p> <p>8 THE WITNESS: I, I know there was a delay in</p> <p>9 this one because it had not been served.</p> <p>10 MS. HEBERT: Sure. And we'll just make sure.</p> <p>11 It might just be my memory failing me, to be honest.</p> <p>12 THE WITNESS: Or things just ran together.</p> <p>13 MS. HEBERT: So we'll just make sure that we've</p> <p>14 dotted our I's and crossed our T's there.</p> <p>15 Q (By Ms. Hebert) So with that in mind, I'm going</p> <p>16 to move on to another exhibit, an exhibit that's</p> <p>17 previously been admitted as Plaintiff's 16.</p> <p>18 THE REPORTER: And I have that, I think.</p> <p>19 MS. HEBERT: Yes, ma'am, you do.</p> <p>20 THE REPORTER: Here you go.</p> <p>21 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Captain, I'll just ask you,</p> <p>22 what is this document?</p> <p>23 A The whole thing or --</p> <p>24 Q The whole thing. You can shortchange it by</p> <p>25 telling us what the whole thing is.</p>
Page 155	Page 157
<p>1 A Yes.</p> <p>2 Q That was in April, April of 2024.</p> <p>3 A I don't believe -- I believe the one case had</p> <p>4 been resolved, and we were just waiting for this one to</p> <p>5 be served and move forward. So there's a date of -- I</p> <p>6 think it happened August, and I think he was served in</p> <p>7 November. I just don't remember --</p> <p>8 Q Of 2023?</p> <p>9 A I believe so.</p> <p>10 Q Okay.</p> <p>11 A But I can -- I can't be held to it because I</p> <p>12 don't know the exact dates. I know I've provided the</p> <p>13 documents.</p> <p>14 Q Sure. And --</p> <p>15 A I just know that one was completed before this</p> <p>16 one.</p> <p>17 MS. HEBERT: And Charles, just to be</p> <p>18 100 percent transparent, I do not recall seeing those</p> <p>19 documents. And my recollection is that we got Deputy</p> <p>20 Babb's disciplinary records before this event might have</p> <p>21 happened. So we'll just confirm that. And if we don't</p> <p>22 have it, I'll ask you to produce it.</p> <p>23 MR. FRIGERIO: Okay. I believe we did.</p> <p>24 MS. HEBERT: I know that we have the light pole</p> <p>25 incident. I just don't remember the other one.</p>	<p>1 A This appears to be the beginning of the</p> <p>2 investigation for June 12th, 2023. I believe that is</p> <p>3 kind of when we discovered that there was a discrepancy</p> <p>4 with his camera.</p> <p>5 Q Well, I'll represent to you that Mr. Schott</p> <p>6 filed this lawsuit on June 1st of 2023. Does that change</p> <p>7 your answer?</p> <p>8 A Trying to run the dates. Because I know --</p> <p>9 Q That's okay. How about --</p> <p>10 A But this is the beginning of -- because I know</p> <p>11 he filed his lawsuit, but he also filed a complaint. I'm</p> <p>12 not sure that they necessarily started that.</p> <p>13 Q That's okay. We'll just --</p> <p>14 A But it could have been.</p> <p>15 Q We'll just focus on the actual record, which is</p> <p>16 BC 2161. Is this a request for investigation?</p> <p>17 A Yes.</p> <p>18 Q Is the date of this request for investigation</p> <p>19 June 12th, 2023?</p> <p>20 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. And can you read to me the "re" for that</p> <p>22 request for investigation, the "re" line?</p> <p>23 A "Request for Investigation, Deputy Joel Babb,</p> <p>24 Employee 38552."</p> <p>25 Q Okay. So only Deputy Babb is listed here in</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 158</p> <p>1 the "re" line; is that correct?</p> <p>2 A It is.</p> <p>3 Q And I want to skip to the next page, BC 2162.</p> <p>4 Do you know what this page is?</p> <p>5 A Yes.</p> <p>6 Q What is it?</p> <p>7 A This was -- if I recall, Mr. Schott had called</p> <p>8 in to file a complaint during -- after the initial stop,</p> <p>9 about the vehicle being damaged and wanting to be made</p> <p>10 whole.</p> <p>11 In addition, I think there were a couple of</p> <p>12 other things that he said that the traffic stop wasn't</p> <p>13 legitimate and that he had been held on the side of the</p> <p>14 road for a period of time. But this is the initial --</p> <p>15 coming from his complaint into Internal Affairs.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. And is the date on this document BC 2162</p> <p>17 June 2nd, 2022?</p> <p>18 A That is what it reads.</p> <p>19 Q And if I use the term --</p> <p>20 A Well, that's the date that the case was closed.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. That's the date the case was closed. If</p> <p>22 I refer to this investigation -- so sometime in 2022</p> <p>23 Sergeant Rodriguez conducted an investigation into</p> <p>24 Mr. Schott's complaint; is that fair?</p> <p>25 A Yes.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 160</p> <p>1 closed the case.</p> <p>2 Q Sure. And let's skip down in that explanation,</p> <p>3 I'm going to read a sentence. "When I reviewed Deputy</p> <p>4 Babb's body worn camera (BWC), I did not see any policy</p> <p>5 violations."</p> <p>6 Did I read that sentence correctly?</p> <p>7 A Yes.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. And does the County agree with Sergeant</p> <p>9 Rodriguez's conclusions that the body worn camera of</p> <p>10 Deputy Babb, from the traffic stop of March 16th, 2022,</p> <p>11 did not show any policy violations?</p> <p>12 A I haven't reviewed it.</p> <p>13 Q Okay. Who on the County's behalf would be</p> <p>14 prepared to testify about the content of Babb's body worn</p> <p>15 camera?</p> <p>16 A Sergeant Marta Rodriguez. She's the one that</p> <p>17 reviewed it.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. So Sergeant Rodriguez, now Sergeant</p> <p>19 Ortega, she is the best person to testify whether the</p> <p>20 body worn camera of Deputy Babb reveals any policy</p> <p>21 violations?</p> <p>22 A She was the one that reviewed it for the policy</p> <p>23 violations, yes, ma'am.</p> <p>24 Q Okay. I want to look at this explanation just</p> <p>25 again. Is it fair to say -- and I don't see anything --</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 159</p> <p>1 Q And if I refer to that investigation as the</p> <p>2 first investigation, do you know what I'm talking about?</p> <p>3 A I do.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. Then I want to go back to the prior</p> <p>5 page. And the date on this piece of paper is June 12th,</p> <p>6 2023. Was there a second investigation opened up into</p> <p>7 the traffic stop concerning Mr. Schott?</p> <p>8 A Yes.</p> <p>9 Q If I refer to this 2023 investigation as the</p> <p>10 second investigation, do you know what I'm talking about?</p> <p>11 A I do.</p> <p>12 Q I want to go back to the page with the first</p> <p>13 investigation, and this -- is this document the document</p> <p>14 that indicates that Sergeant Rodriguez's investigation</p> <p>15 into Mr. Schott's complaint was closed?</p> <p>16 A Yes.</p> <p>17 Q And the date of that closing is June 2nd, 2022;</p> <p>18 is that correct?</p> <p>19 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>20 Q And is the explanation of this document -- you</p> <p>21 see the Explanation section listed about midway through,</p> <p>22 do you see that?</p> <p>23 A I do.</p> <p>24 Q Is that the reason the case was closed?</p> <p>25 A That is what she typed up and said why she</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 161</p> <p>1 that -- all right. Just take a step back.</p> <p>2 Does C in this explanation refer to</p> <p>3 complainant?</p> <p>4 A I would agree with that.</p> <p>5 Q And the complainant would be Mr. Schott; is</p> <p>6 that correct?</p> <p>7 A Yes.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. I don't see anything in this paragraph</p> <p>9 that talks about reviewing Deputy Babb's dash camera. Do</p> <p>10 you?</p> <p>11 A It does not.</p> <p>12 Q Okay. Did Sergeant Rodriguez fail to</p> <p>13 investigate Deputy Babb's dash camera?</p> <p>14 A You would have to ask Sergeant Rodriguez. I</p> <p>15 don't know what she investigated or did not investigate.</p> <p>16 Q Sure. Okay. Can we go back to the first page?</p> <p>17 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>18 Q BC 2161. And this is the document, the RFI for</p> <p>19 the second investigation. As we sit here today, is the</p> <p>20 second investigation closed?</p> <p>21 A Yes.</p> <p>22 Q So there -- is the County conducting any</p> <p>23 additional investigation into this, the facts surrounding</p> <p>24 the stop of Alek Schott?</p> <p>25 A Not that I'm aware of.</p>

Page 162

1 Q Okay. Okay. I want to look at Plaintiff's
 2 Exhibit 46. And I'm going to look at my N.
 3 MS. HEBERT: Charles, you should have it too.
 4 It's BC 8302.
 5 (Discussion off the record.)
 6 THE REPORTER: Back on the record.
 7 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Captain, what is this document
 8 that's marked Plaintiff's Exhibit 46?
 9 A It is the document that encompasses the second
 10 investigation into Deputy Joel Babb concerning this
 11 traffic stop.
 12 Q Okay. And is this report the only report from
 13 the second investigation? Is there any other report out
 14 there is what I'm asking you.
 15 A Not that I'm aware of.
 16 Q Okay. So as far as the County is aware of,
 17 this is the only report that was produced as a result of
 18 the second investigation?
 19 A This is what I provided, yes, ma'am. I don't
 20 believe there's any other reports.
 21 Q Okay.
 22 A There shouldn't be.
 23 Q Okay. I just want to make sure.
 24 And I see the name on the front cover is
 25 Sergeant Victor Perez. Was Sergeant Perez the only

Page 163

1 person tasked with investigating the traffic stop of Alek
 2 Schott the second time around?
 3 A I don't know. If you allow me to look --
 4 Q Sure.
 5 A -- I think there's -- there might be a listing
 6 here on what they had. Because sometimes they assign
 7 multiple tasks, and they'll put a summary for the -- on
 8 who does what. So I don't know what, what you were
 9 provided.
 10 MR. WINDHAM: BC 8310.
 11 THE WITNESS: 8310?
 12 MR. WINDHAM: Perhaps.
 13 A No. 8310 is everybody that was involved.
 14 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Is the key. But I just want to
 15 make sure that I understand everybody who was doing the
 16 investigating. Was there anybody else other than Victor
 17 Perez who was tasked with investigating Officer Babb?
 18 A No. He was the main investigator. So if
 19 someone helped him, by looking at statements and stuff --
 20 I don't know if they did or not, but they've done that in
 21 the past. But he was the main investigator that compiles
 22 everything together and then gives you a report.
 23 Q Great. I want to go to BC 8304 -- BC 8304 to
 24 BC 8309. We're going to add in BC 8310, because that's
 25 the identification legend. So BC 8304 to 8310.

Page 164

1 A I have them.
 2 Q Are these the findings that Sergeant Perez
 3 issued as a result of the second investigation?
 4 A This is the summary of the complete
 5 investigation.
 6 Q Okay.
 7 A Which includes the findings.
 8 Q Sure. I want to go to BC 8306.
 9 A Uh-huh.
 10 Q And I'm going to read a paragraph for you
 11 that's about one-third of the way down.
 12 "I researched the Vigilant database, license
 13 plate reader information and observed C's vehicle
 14 captured on March 15th, 2022, at 18:52 hours by Fayette
 15 County Sheriff's Office and again at RO's traffic stop."
 16 Did I read that correctly?
 17 A That is correct.
 18 Q And I understand that paragraph to say that
 19 Sergeant Perez researched the LPR information and
 20 observed Mr. Schott's vehicle, based on the records of
 21 the LPR information, traveling at 6:52 p.m. on
 22 March 15th, 2022, in Fayette County; is that correct?
 23 A That is correct.
 24 Q And then the next time that Mr. Schott's
 25 vehicle was observed on the LPR information was at the

Page 165

1 traffic stop conducted by Deputy Babb; is that correct?
 2 A Yes.
 3 Q Okay. I am going to look at -- and we can keep
 4 this out. We're going to need this to come back to it.
 5 We're going to go to Plaintiff's Exhibit 8.
 6 MS. HEBERT: Which I believe you also have a
 7 copy of, Molly.
 8 (Discussion off the record.)
 9 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Captain, do you recognize this
 10 document?
 11 A I do.
 12 Q What is it?
 13 A It is the SPEARS Incident Summary of the
 14 incident BCSO 20220082749. And it is in reference to --
 15 Q 748. I believe you said 749.
 16 A You're probably right. Yes. 824748. And it
 17 is in reference to the traffic stop on an Alek Joseph
 18 Schott.
 19 Q Okay. I want to flip to BC 166.
 20 A Uh-huh.
 21 Q Do you see this page? What is this page?
 22 A This is the general report entered by Deputy
 23 Joel Babb.
 24 Q Okay. And just one question, at least right at
 25 this point. Do you see the third paragraph?

Page 166	Page 168
<p>1 A I do.</p> <p>2 Q And the final sentence, "I further observed</p> <p>3 that using the LPR systems that Alek Schott had been on</p> <p>4 I-10 west at midnight the night before heading south and</p> <p>5 had a one-day turnaround." Do you see that sentence?</p> <p>6 A I do.</p> <p>7 Q That seems to be an inconsistency from what the</p> <p>8 investigator, Sergeant Perez, found when he concluded</p> <p>9 that the LPR records, as we just reviewed, showed that</p> <p>10 the last stop, the last reading on Mr. Schott's vehicle</p> <p>11 was at 6:52 p.m. on March 15th. And Mr. Babb is saying</p> <p>12 that there had been a scan at midnight the night before.</p> <p>13 Do you understand that correctly?</p> <p>14 A I do.</p> <p>15 Q Why was that inconsistency not highlighted as a</p> <p>16 inconsistency in Sergeant Perez's report?</p> <p>17 A You would have to ask Sergeant Perez.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. And there is no discussion of this</p> <p>19 inconsistency in the Order of Dismissal for Deputy Babb,</p> <p>20 is there?</p> <p>21 A No.</p> <p>22 Q Okay. I want to flip back to Exhibit 46. And</p> <p>23 then the third paragraph on this page, it starts with "I</p> <p>24 obtained." Can you read that paragraph to yourself? I'm</p> <p>25 not going to read it out loud to you. It's rather long.</p>	<p>1 A I don't remember how I did the log.</p> <p>2 Q Okay. I see some three -- on Page --</p> <p>3 A 3/15.</p> <p>4 Q -- Page 8378 I see from 3/15.</p> <p>5 A Yes.</p> <p>6 Q So would it be fair to say that BC 8376 through</p> <p>7 BC 8378 are the vehicle logs for Deputy Babb for</p> <p>8 3/15/2022 and 3/16/2022?</p> <p>9 A Give me just a second just to verify that.</p> <p>10 Yes, that is correct.</p> <p>11 Q Okay.</p> <p>12 A It's out of order, but yes, ma'am.</p> <p>13 Q They are out of order? Okay. Good to know.</p> <p>14 So let's just make sure how we would put them in order.</p> <p>15 Is there a page number somewhere?</p> <p>16 A 78 would go in front of 76.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. Did the County review dash cam logs for</p> <p>18 Deputy Babb for any date other than 3/15 and 3/16 of</p> <p>19 2022?</p> <p>20 A No.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. Why not?</p> <p>22 A As far as what do you mean?</p> <p>23 Q Well --</p> <p>24 A So the log -- go ahead.</p> <p>25 Q No, go ahead. I didn't mean to interrupt you.</p>
Page 167	Page 169
<p>1 A (Reviewing document.) Okay.</p> <p>2 Q Does this paragraph indicate that the</p> <p>3 investigator, Sergeant Perez, obtained the logs of Deputy</p> <p>4 Babb's dash camera on the date of the stop, March 16th,</p> <p>5 2022?</p> <p>6 A He did.</p> <p>7 Q And can we go to BC 8371 to BC 8378. And are</p> <p>8 these records -- these pages, 8371 to 8378 the</p> <p>9 information about Deputy Babb's vehicle's dash camera</p> <p>10 logs?</p> <p>11 To me it looks like the first two are emails</p> <p>12 about the metadata for Deputy Babb's dash camera,</p> <p>13 followed by some additional emails. And then I think BC</p> <p>14 8376 to 8378 are the logs. Is that understanding</p> <p>15 correct?</p> <p>16 A For the vehicle, yes, ma'am.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. And what is the -- if we look at BC</p> <p>18 8376, what is the date of the vehicle log?</p> <p>19 A What do you mean?</p> <p>20 Q What -- this is a log from what date from</p> <p>21 Deputy Babb's patrol vehicle?</p> <p>22 A I thought I went a couple of days, but it's</p> <p>23 specifically over the 3/16/2022.</p> <p>24 Q Okay. Is there any other date? Let's just</p> <p>25 look through.</p>	<p>1 A No, it's all right.</p> <p>2 Q Well, if the County concluded that Deputy Babb</p> <p>3 was dishonest about manipulating his dash camera one</p> <p>4 time, did the County evaluate whether Deputy Babb</p> <p>5 manipulated his dash camera multiple times?</p> <p>6 A I'm trying to think how to answer this, because</p> <p>7 I reviewed his log over a period of time.</p> <p>8 Q Sure.</p> <p>9 A Did I go back and look at specifics? No. What</p> <p>10 we looked at is that this was a practice common to him.</p> <p>11 We don't know why he was doing what he was doing, but</p> <p>12 this was not the first time. It wasn't prevalent where</p> <p>13 he was doing it all the time, but there were other times</p> <p>14 where there were indications that there's something else</p> <p>15 could have. But I don't remember exactly because it was</p> <p>16 a lot of data.</p> <p>17 I believe this camera had been in play since</p> <p>18 20 -- the summer of 2020. So there are a lot of logs.</p> <p>19 But this is one of the things that set off with the</p> <p>20 discovery that I, when I was first notified, which is</p> <p>21 probably when this -- this was kicked off because of my</p> <p>22 report, the second investigation.</p> <p>23 Q Okay. Let me just take a couple of steps back</p> <p>24 because you used a lot of this's. I just want to make</p> <p>25 sure it's clear for the record.</p>

Page 170	Page 172
<p>1 A Oh.</p> <p>2 Q So this -- I'm going to try to unpack the</p> <p>3 this's. Would it be correct to say that the discovery</p> <p>4 requests in this case prompted the County to look into</p> <p>5 Deputy Babb's vehicle dash camera logs?</p> <p>6 A Yes.</p> <p>7 Q Would it be correct to say that before the</p> <p>8 discovery requests in this case, the vehicle dash camera</p> <p>9 logs of Deputy Babb had not been examined for any issues</p> <p>10 of dishonesty?</p> <p>11 A Yes.</p> <p>12 Q Would it be correct to say that you, on behalf</p> <p>13 of the County, have reviewed more than just the 3/15 and</p> <p>14 3/16 vehicle logs for the dash cam of Deputy Babb?</p> <p>15 A Yes.</p> <p>16 Q And would it be correct to say that you, on</p> <p>17 behalf of the County, have concluded that this was not --</p> <p>18 Would it be correct to say that based on your</p> <p>19 review, that you, on behalf of the County, have concluded</p> <p>20 that the 3/16 dash cam issue, manipulation, was not the</p> <p>21 only time that Deputy Babb may have turned off his dash</p> <p>22 camera?</p> <p>23 A Yes.</p> <p>24 Q Can you estimate how many times, based on your</p> <p>25 review?</p>	<p>1 Q Okay.</p> <p>2 A There are reasons why they are allowed to turn</p> <p>3 them off.</p> <p>4 Q Sure.</p> <p>5 A I don't know if he met that threshold.</p> <p>6 Q Sure. What are the reasons that a deputy is</p> <p>7 allowed to turn the dash camera off?</p> <p>8 A There's a few, one being in a static spot, one</p> <p>9 being that -- off the top of my head, we have -- it's in</p> <p>10 policy, Chapter 44.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. We can look at 44. All right. Okay.</p> <p>12 So we're going to go to Plaintiff's Exhibit 14, which is</p> <p>13 G.</p> <p>14 (Discussion off the record.)</p> <p>15 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Plaintiff's 14, which is</p> <p>16 Exhibit G. And what was the chapter you wanted to look</p> <p>17 at?</p> <p>18 A It should be Chapter 44.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. Captain, what were you calling my</p> <p>20 attention to?</p> <p>21 A If you'll give me a second.</p> <p>22 Q Sure.</p> <p>23 A (Reviewing document.) "Procedures. When to</p> <p>24 Use" --</p> <p>25 Q Can you tell me what page you're looking at?</p>
Page 171	Page 173
<p>1 A No.</p> <p>2 Q We previously depose Deputy Molina in this</p> <p>3 case. And Deputy Molina testified that he turned off his</p> <p>4 dash camera on his way to the stop of Alek Schott. Has</p> <p>5 Deputy Molina been investigated for turning off his dash</p> <p>6 camera on the way to the stop of Alek Schott?</p> <p>7 A No.</p> <p>8 MR. FRIGERIO: Objection, form.</p> <p>9 MS. HEBERT: I'll ask that question again. You</p> <p>10 can object again, but I think you guys went over each</p> <p>11 other and you couldn't quite hear either of you.</p> <p>12 Q (By Ms. Hebert) We previously depose Deputy</p> <p>13 Molina in this case, and Deputy Molina testified that he</p> <p>14 had previously turned off his dash cam on the way to the</p> <p>15 traffic stop of Alek Schott. Has Deputy Molina been</p> <p>16 investigated for turning off his dash camera on the way</p> <p>17 to the traffic stop of Alek Schott?</p> <p>18 MR. FRIGERIO: Objection, form. Now you can</p> <p>19 answer.</p> <p>20 A I'm not aware of any investigation on Deputy</p> <p>21 Molina at this time.</p> <p>22 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Is that a no? Has the County</p> <p>23 opened any investigation into Deputy Molina?</p> <p>24 A I am not aware of any investigation into Deputy</p> <p>25 Molina.</p>	<p>1 I'm sorry. I know they're kind of like not labeled here.</p> <p>2 A It's Page 2.</p> <p>3 Q Page 2. Thanks. Okay, Page 2. You're looking</p> <p>4 at 44.04, Procedures?</p> <p>5 A "When to Use the Cameras. Deputies shall not</p> <p>6 keep the event mode activated for the entire shift.</p> <p>7 Mandatory use shall begin recording upon reception of a</p> <p>8 call or when initiating a response to an incident,</p> <p>9 whether dispatched or not, and shall continue recording</p> <p>10 through the entire call of the incident. Each deputy in</p> <p>11 cover shall activate camera prior to making contact in</p> <p>12 any of the following situations," which says this is when</p> <p>13 you have to have it on. Right?</p> <p>14 Q Sure.</p> <p>15 A "An enforcement or investigative encounter.</p> <p>16 This includes temporary detentions, vehicle stops,</p> <p>17 pedestrian stops, consensual encounters, service of a</p> <p>18 search warrant or arrest warrant, contact with all</p> <p>19 complainants, any situation where the deputy reasonably</p> <p>20 believes that the recording may provide evidence in a</p> <p>21 criminal or internal investigation, any nonenforcement</p> <p>22 encounter that becomes confrontational, assault of law</p> <p>23 enforcement. Discretionary use: Deputies" --</p> <p>24 Q We don't need you to read all of it.</p> <p>25 A No, I understand.</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 174</p> <p>1 Q Okay.</p> <p>2 A But nonenforcement encounters when a recording</p> <p>3 could have value as evidence.</p> <p>4 So with him driving over there, he is not part</p> <p>5 of the pursuit. He's not part of the initial. It does</p> <p>6 give him some discretionary to shut it off.</p> <p>7 Q Okay. That's helpful. That's clarity for me.</p> <p>8 And the -- so it's the County's position that</p> <p>9 if he turned it off while he was driving there, that</p> <p>10 could be permissible as a nonenforcement encounter?</p> <p>11 A It could be if he follows the policy, yes,</p> <p>12 ma'am. But I have not looked into that. I don't believe</p> <p>13 that there is any open investigation into that, so --</p> <p>14 Q Sure.</p> <p>15 A -- I would say that there's --</p> <p>16 Q Understood. Okay. And it's just helpful for</p> <p>17 you to point me to the right section of the manual. It's</p> <p>18 a large manual.</p> <p>19 MS. HEBERT: I'm going to flip back to Exhibit</p> <p>20 46, which is our N, Joshua.</p> <p>21 Q (By Ms. Hebert) And I'm going to go to Page BC</p> <p>22 8337.</p> <p>23 A 83.</p> <p>24 Q 37. And it seems like 8337, 8338 and 8339 are</p> <p>25 part of the same document or record; is that a correct --</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 176</p> <p>1 Q Okay. And then BC 8339, as I understood it,</p> <p>2 you just said that this is -- BC 8339, this document, is</p> <p>3 the record of the --</p> <p>4 A License plate.</p> <p>5 Q -- license plate searches?</p> <p>6 A Yes.</p> <p>7 Q Okay. And does BC 8339 show that Deputy Babb</p> <p>8 ran Mr. Schott's driver's license number twice?</p> <p>9 A Yes.</p> <p>10 Q What are the two dates that Deputy Babb ran</p> <p>11 Mr. Schott's license?</p> <p>12 A The first -- the first date was 3/16/2022, at</p> <p>13 11:17 a.m. The second date was 3/18/2022 at 3:21 p.m.</p> <p>14 Q Okay. And I want to go back to the license</p> <p>15 plate search records. Is this what Deputy Babb would</p> <p>16 have seen when he ran Mr. Schott's driver's license</p> <p>17 number?</p> <p>18 Is this what comes up when you run someone's</p> <p>19 driver's license number?</p> <p>20 A I'm confused. You said license plate record,</p> <p>21 so I'm --</p> <p>22 Q I mean driver's license. Sorry, I got them</p> <p>23 confused.</p> <p>24 Is this the document that an officer will see</p> <p>25 in their computer system in a patrol car when they run</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 175</p> <p>1 A No.</p> <p>2 Q -- conclusion? No? Tell me more.</p> <p>3 A The 8337 and 8338 are a combined document. It</p> <p>4 is a TLETS return for his driver's license.</p> <p>5 Q Okay.</p> <p>6 A 8339 is a separate TLETS entry that comes back</p> <p>7 and shows everybody that has run this plate I think.</p> <p>8 Plate or -- I think it's the plate, over a period of</p> <p>9 time.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. So let's look at the top of BC 8337.</p> <p>11 A Okay.</p> <p>12 Q And what does that top line represent?</p> <p>13 A That his driver's license is eligible and</p> <p>14 expires in 2030.</p> <p>15 Q Okay. So could this be the record from running</p> <p>16 Mr. Schott's driver's license, rather than his plate?</p> <p>17 A Yes, ma'am. That's the TLETS return for his --</p> <p>18 Q Okay. And what does TLETS mean?</p> <p>19 A It's the Texas Law Enforcement Telenetwork</p> <p>20 System.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. So is BC 8337 and 8338 the record for</p> <p>22 running Mr. Schott's --</p> <p>23 A That --</p> <p>24 Q -- driver's license?</p> <p>25 A -- appears to be his driver's license return.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 177</p> <p>1 Mr. Schott's driver's license?</p> <p>2 A It does appear to be the correct document.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. Would something that needed to be</p> <p>4 investigated show up on this document, BC 8337 to 8338,</p> <p>5 would it show up in red? Do you know? Like if there was</p> <p>6 a search warrant or a -- I mean, a warrant out for</p> <p>7 someone's arrest, would it show up in red on this</p> <p>8 document?</p> <p>9 A Not necessarily.</p> <p>10 Q Okay. I just don't know how it works. Because</p> <p>11 I see there's red writing at the top, and I was just</p> <p>12 curious of if something --</p> <p>13 A The mask is set by a lot of things. The</p> <p>14 officers in the vehicles, the time of day, the day or</p> <p>15 night settings that they're using could all affect that.</p> <p>16 Usually the, when there is a hit for like, as you said, a</p> <p>17 warrant, it's not going to show up necessarily in this</p> <p>18 record. It would be a separate record which is followed</p> <p>19 by an audio cue that there is a potential problem.</p> <p>20 Q Okay. Let's go back -- I'm sorry to jump</p> <p>21 around a lot here.</p> <p>22 A That's okay.</p> <p>23 Q Can we go back to Plaintiff's Exhibit 16, which</p> <p>24 is H for our records. Okay. And we previously talked</p> <p>25 about this exhibit, the first page being the document</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 178</p> <p>1 that opens the second investigation; is that fair?</p> <p>2 A Yes.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. And we looked at the fact that Deputy</p> <p>4 Babb's name is on the "re" line. Can you read -- I'm</p> <p>5 going to read the second paragraph of this document to</p> <p>6 you.</p> <p>7 A Okay.</p> <p>8 Q "At this time we are requesting an</p> <p>9 investigation be conducted to determine the facts of the</p> <p>10 case and to identify all potential misconduct by any</p> <p>11 Sheriff's personnel as well as all potential violations</p> <p>12 of statutes, laws and/or local ordinances."</p> <p>13 Did I read that correctly?</p> <p>14 A Yes, you read it correctly.</p> <p>15 Q Okay. And is this language, this second</p> <p>16 paragraph language, generic language that is included in</p> <p>17 every RFI, or does this paragraph change depending on the</p> <p>18 RFI?</p> <p>19 A I've read a lot of them, so I would say that</p> <p>20 there's never -- we use go-bys.</p> <p>21 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>22 A But it's not necessarily the same. It can</p> <p>23 change and will change depending on what the, what is</p> <p>24 determined. But yes, it is a standard -- it's probably a</p> <p>25 standard line that they have consolidated to that,</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 180</p> <p>1 this canine's inconsistent performance?"</p> <p>2 With the "where" -- I think meant to be "were."</p> <p>3 Did I read that correctly?</p> <p>4 A You did.</p> <p>5 Q Okay. This investigator, Sergeant Perez,</p> <p>6 classified Deputy Molina's canine performance as</p> <p>7 inconsistent, at least asking were you aware of this</p> <p>8 inconsistent performance. Do you know what Sergeant</p> <p>9 Perez reviewed to determine that the Canine Unit had an</p> <p>10 inconsistent performance?</p> <p>11 A I am not.</p> <p>12 Q You do not know what he reviewed?</p> <p>13 A No. You would need to ask Sergeant Perez.</p> <p>14 Q Sure. Why is there -- if there is an</p> <p>15 inconsistent canine performance, why was there no</p> <p>16 investigation about that?</p> <p>17 MR. FRIGERIO: Objection, form.</p> <p>18 A Because I don't believe that the canine is</p> <p>19 inconsistent.</p> <p>20 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. And what has led you to</p> <p>21 that conclusion?</p> <p>22 A We've provided logs to show that the dog is not</p> <p>23 inconsistent.</p> <p>24 Q Okay. I'm going to hand you another exhibit.</p> <p>25 This has previously been admitted as Plaintiff's</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 179</p> <p>1 saying: Hey, listen, this is what we're looking for.</p> <p>2 Q Okay. Was there any investigation into Officer</p> <p>3 Gereb as part of the second investigation?</p> <p>4 A Not that I'm aware of.</p> <p>5 Q Any investigation into Officer Gamboa as part</p> <p>6 of the second investigation?</p> <p>7 A Not that I'm aware of.</p> <p>8 Q Was there any investigation into Marta Ortega,</p> <p>9 formerly known as Marta Rodriguez?</p> <p>10 A No.</p> <p>11 Q Was there any investigation into the Internal</p> <p>12 Affairs Division itself and how it handles complaints?</p> <p>13 A No.</p> <p>14 Q Finally, was there any investigation into</p> <p>15 Deputy Molina as part of the second investigation?</p> <p>16 A Not that I'm aware of.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. Let's go to BC 8325, and that is not</p> <p>18 part of this exhibit. That is part of 46.</p> <p>19 A Could you give me the number again?</p> <p>20 Q 46, and it is 8325. And I want to look at</p> <p>21 Question 10, the actual question, not necessarily the</p> <p>22 answer. "Reviewing your call history associated with</p> <p>23 Deputy Molina and his canine over a three-month period, I</p> <p>24 observed that the canine had several positive alerts with</p> <p>25 no contraband found. Were you" -- "Where you aware of</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 181</p> <p>1 Exhibit 27. Captain, do you know what this document is?</p> <p>2 A I do.</p> <p>3 Q What is this document?</p> <p>4 A It's a detailed deployment report when,</p> <p>5 basically what the dog -- when he goes and uses the dog.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. And what is the date on this Deployment</p> <p>7 Detail Report?</p> <p>8 A 3/16/2022.</p> <p>9 Q And the time?</p> <p>10 A 11:49 a.m.</p> <p>11 Q And if I represented to you that Deputy Molina</p> <p>12 testified that this was the Deployment Detail Report from</p> <p>13 the stop of Alek Schott, would you agree with that</p> <p>14 statement?</p> <p>15 A I have no reason not to.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. And do you see about a little over</p> <p>17 halfway down where it says, "Marijuana"? It's in the</p> <p>18 gray band, so it's easy to miss. It says, "Activity</p> <p>19 Finds."</p> <p>20 A Just a second. Narcotics -- narcotics --</p> <p>21 Q Right -- keep going down.</p> <p>22 MR. FRIGERIO: A little bit lower.</p> <p>23 A "Activity Finds." Yes, I see, it says,</p> <p>24 "Activity Finds, 1."</p> <p>25 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Then you see the band below</p>

Page 182	Page 184
<p>1 that where it says, "Marijuana"?</p> <p>2 A "Trace amounts," correct.</p> <p>3 Q It says, "Trace amounts"?</p> <p>4 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>5 Q Does this mean that Deputy Molina concluded</p> <p>6 that there was a trace amount of marijuana in</p> <p>7 Mr. Schott's vehicle?</p> <p>8 A I would say that's what it indicates.</p> <p>9 Q Okay. Earlier today we talked about how the</p> <p>10 County's records show that there was no contraband found</p> <p>11 in Mr. Schott's vehicle. How do you explain this trace</p> <p>12 amount record on the Canine Deployment Report?</p> <p>13 A I'm trying to recall what I said. But I don't</p> <p>14 think it was that -- I believe Deputy Molina put in his</p> <p>15 report that they found the leftover -- potential leftover</p> <p>16 garbage of some marijuana and stuff, but I don't recall</p> <p>17 exactly.</p> <p>18 Q Sure. Let's take a look at that. This is</p> <p>19 Plaintiff's Exhibit 8.</p> <p>20 MS. HEBERT: Let's go to Exhibit 8, which is C</p> <p>21 in our binders, Mr. Windham.</p> <p>22 Q (By Ms. Hebert) You have Exhibit 8.</p> <p>23 A Do I have it?</p> <p>24 Q Uh-huh, somewhere. Okay. Let's flip to --</p> <p>25 first we're going to start with BC 166, which is -- we're</p>	<p>1 says that the dog alerted. Is there anything about</p> <p>2 finding anything as a result of the search from the</p> <p>3 alert?</p> <p>4 A No.</p> <p>5 Q In the wake of Mr. Schott's complaint, and that</p> <p>6 includes the lawsuit, has the County made any policy</p> <p>7 changes about how officers should conduct traffic stops</p> <p>8 in general?</p> <p>9 A No.</p> <p>10 Q I want to look at one more series of records</p> <p>11 from the traffic stop. We looked at this a little bit</p> <p>12 earlier today, but can we go back to the Incident Detail</p> <p>13 Report for Mr. Schott? And that is Exhibit 5. And the</p> <p>14 BC number on this is BC 161.</p> <p>15 A Okay.</p> <p>16 Q And I want to flip to Page BC 162. And do you</p> <p>17 see where it says, "Activity Log"?</p> <p>18 A Activity Log, yes.</p> <p>19 Q What does it say below Activity Log?</p> <p>20 A "No call activity."</p> <p>21 MS. HEBERT: Okay. I want to look at what has</p> <p>22 previously been admitted as Plaintiff's Exhibit 10, which</p> <p>23 is our D. And I think we need to provide a copy of that.</p> <p>24 MR. WINDHAM: Sure. Are there multiple there,</p> <p>25 Captain?</p>
Page 183	Page 185
<p>1 going to flip to BC 166, Captain.</p> <p>2 A 166. Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>3 Q And again, we previously looked at this page.</p> <p>4 Is this Officer Babb's report?</p> <p>5 A Yes.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. Do you see about midway through the last</p> <p>7 paragraph -- I'm going to read it to you. It says, "Once</p> <p>8 I" -- do you see where I am?</p> <p>9 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>10 Q "Once I completed the search we found nothing."</p> <p>11 Did I read that correctly?</p> <p>12 A You did.</p> <p>13 Q Does this mean that Officer Babb concluded</p> <p>14 nothing had been found in the search of Mr. Schott's</p> <p>15 vehicle?</p> <p>16 A That's what it would say.</p> <p>17 Q Then the next page BC 167, is this the</p> <p>18 supplemental report written by Deputy Molina?</p> <p>19 A It is.</p> <p>20 Q And can you tell me where in this report it</p> <p>21 indicated that Deputy Molina found anything in</p> <p>22 Mr. Schott's vehicle?</p> <p>23 A He said that the dog alerted, but that was all</p> <p>24 he says.</p> <p>25 Q Right. So as far as you can tell, the report</p>	<p>1 THE WITNESS: No. There's only one. I'm</p> <p>2 sorry.</p> <p>3 MR. WINDHAM: Okay. Here's a copy.</p> <p>4 MR. FRIGERIO: Okay.</p> <p>5 Q (By Ms. Hebert) And I'm going to represent to</p> <p>6 you, Captain, that this is the version of the Schott</p> <p>7 Incident Detail Report that Mr. Schott received via the</p> <p>8 open records request.</p> <p>9 A Okay.</p> <p>10 Q And if you flip to the bottom, or look at the</p> <p>11 bottom of this first page, do you see where it says</p> <p>12 "Activity Log"?</p> <p>13 A Which one are we looking at, 10?</p> <p>14 Q We're looking at 10, yes, sir.</p> <p>15 A Yes. Uh-huh.</p> <p>16 Q You see how it says "3/16/2022" below it --</p> <p>17 below Activity Log?</p> <p>18 A I do.</p> <p>19 Q And then we flip to the back, the other page,</p> <p>20 Page 2.</p> <p>21 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>22 Q Are there several entries under Activity Log on</p> <p>23 the next page?</p> <p>24 A Yes.</p> <p>25 Q Why the difference? Why the difference between</p>

Page 186	Page 188
<p>1 Exhibit 5, I think it was --</p> <p>2 A Because I don't know what she's pulling. I</p> <p>3 pulled 5. That -- I think it will even say I'm the one</p> <p>4 that pulled it, but I don't know if it timestamps it.</p> <p>5 But it also could be the way -- what this report was, how</p> <p>6 she ran the report. Because --</p> <p>7 Q Who's she?</p> <p>8 A Open records, which is -- at the time of this,</p> <p>9 could either be Sergeant Alires. We have an open records</p> <p>10 unit. It's run by a lieutenant or a sergeant. Right now</p> <p>11 it's run by Lieutenant Abraham. It was run by</p> <p>12 Lieutenant -- I can't remember her name. She was a</p> <p>13 sergeant. Castillo. Castillo? Yeah. Castillo. And</p> <p>14 now it's Sergeant Alires. So based on this, it could</p> <p>15 just be the report that she pulled versus what I pulled.</p> <p>16 It's not trying to hide anything, but yeah.</p> <p>17 Q Sure. And how come the Activity Log was never</p> <p>18 provided to us in discovery?</p> <p>19 A I wasn't aware that it was pulling up</p> <p>20 differently. This is the first time I've seen it.</p> <p>21 Q Okay.</p> <p>22 A So it's not something that usually -- could</p> <p>23 have been the way I pulled it up. It's possible. I</p> <p>24 don't know.</p> <p>25 Q Sure.</p>	<p>1 been assigned.</p> <p>2 Q Understood. Okay, that's helpful. So does</p> <p>3 this 11:15:07 or 11:15:08, does that mean that's the time</p> <p>4 that the record for the traffic stop was initiated?</p> <p>5 A That's what the record is showing.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. So Deputy Babb indicated that the</p> <p>7 traffic stop was going to happen; however, I don't really</p> <p>8 understand the system, so you're going to have to tell me</p> <p>9 that. But would it be fair to say that Deputy Babb was</p> <p>10 initiating the traffic stop at 11:15:07?</p> <p>11 A That's when he pushed the button on the</p> <p>12 application, the mobile application, that's when he</p> <p>13 pushed the button for a traffic stop.</p> <p>14 Q Okay. Can you flip to the second page of this</p> <p>15 Activity Log that's Plaintiff's Exhibit 10?</p> <p>16 A Okay.</p> <p>17 Q I just have a couple of questions about some of</p> <p>18 the entries. You see that a lot of them are 11:15:07, or</p> <p>19 11:15:08, down to one that says 11:15:12. And that one</p> <p>20 says, as far as I can tell, "Remove Waiting Pending</p> <p>21 Incident." What does that mean?</p> <p>22 A Well, let me see. Basically everything up</p> <p>23 until that point is the automatic saying -- you know, as</p> <p>24 I discussed, you know, it goes through its progressions.</p> <p>25 It was dispatched, updated, he hit response. It's all at</p>
Page 187	Page 189
<p>1 A I only know one way to pull it, but they tend</p> <p>2 to be a little bit more savvy.</p> <p>3 Q Okay. I want to just ask about a couple of</p> <p>4 things on the Activity Log just to understand --</p> <p>5 A Sure.</p> <p>6 Q -- how it works. So the first entry on the</p> <p>7 first page of Exhibit 10 -- we don't have a Bates label</p> <p>8 on this one -- I see the date of 3/16/2022 and a time of</p> <p>9 11:15. And then I see "Activity: Incident timer clear."</p> <p>10 What does this line indicate, this line of the</p> <p>11 activity log?</p> <p>12 A So it says 3/16/2022, time 11:15, timer clear.</p> <p>13 That looks to be that that is -- so when a -- initially</p> <p>14 there's several steps to how a call gets created, right?</p> <p>15 One being you call into dispatch and they enter -- a call</p> <p>16 taker, an operator, enters all this information, then</p> <p>17 sends it over for dispatch. And then a timer starts,</p> <p>18 until the time it gets dispatched. So it starts</p> <p>19 tracking. You'll see those times up towards the -- from</p> <p>20 the time the call came in to the time it was assigned in</p> <p>21 the mid part.</p> <p>22 So that's when that timer -- but because this</p> <p>23 was self-generated, he did it through a traffic stop, it</p> <p>24 almost automatically just self-generates, so there's no</p> <p>25 timer to say it hasn't been assigned because it's already</p>	<p>1 one time because he's doing it on site. And then it</p> <p>2 automatically puts him on scene. I'm sure that's a</p> <p>3 background script that does all of that.</p> <p>4 Q Sure.</p> <p>5 A Then the incident is created. Incident</p> <p>6 created, it says that he stopped a plate, and then he</p> <p>7 added the license plate. "Remove Waiting Pending</p> <p>8 Incident warning." It looks like that's the timer. And</p> <p>9 because he is actively with the computer, it</p> <p>10 automatically kicked off the timer.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. So I just want to break that down a</p> <p>12 little bit because I think we processed through a lot.</p> <p>13 In this -- in the entries before the Remove</p> <p>14 Waiting Pending Incident, does that mean that Officer</p> <p>15 Babb had entered Mr. Schott's license plate before the</p> <p>16 waiting pending incident, one of these other lines?</p> <p>17 A It says that he entered the license plate at</p> <p>18 11:15:08.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. And then I want to go to 11:16:44 --</p> <p>20 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>21 Q -- where it says, "Secure." Do you see that</p> <p>22 line?</p> <p>23 A I do.</p> <p>24 Q What does "secure" mean there?</p> <p>25 A So there is a timer that, when the officer</p>

Page 190	Page 192
<p>1 first initially checks out, he goes -- and the way it's</p> <p>2 set up is he's supposed to go and speak with the</p> <p>3 complainant. That keeps the timer going so that dispatch</p> <p>4 knows that he's out on the traffic stop and that until he</p> <p>5 knows that everything is good to go, he'll usually come</p> <p>6 back, get the license and stuff, come back and hit</p> <p>7 "Secure."</p> <p>8 There are officers that are very confident that</p> <p>9 they usually secure themselves upon pulling somebody over</p> <p>10 if they feel comfortable.</p> <p>11 Q Sure. So secure is --</p> <p>12 A It's a physical action.</p> <p>13 Q This is me just understanding. Secure is the</p> <p>14 way the officer tells the folks back at dispatch "I'm</p> <p>15 okay"?</p> <p>16 A Yes, ma'am.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. And so --</p> <p>18 A It stops the timer for them.</p> <p>19 Q So 11:16:44, Officer Babb indicated that he was</p> <p>20 secure.</p> <p>21 A Yes.</p> <p>22 Q And then the next line, "11:17:32 Record Check</p> <p>23 Person," what is that line?</p> <p>24 A He completed a records check on Alex, first</p> <p>25 name, Schott last name, date of birth. And then it has</p>	<p>1 A Yeah, okay. That's his date of birth.</p> <p>2 11974520 -- I don't know. That number offhand is not --</p> <p>3 I would have to ask somebody because I don't -- there's</p> <p>4 a -- there are scripts that come behind this, so could</p> <p>5 that be a return from TLETS that that's how they're</p> <p>6 recording it? I don't go that -- I'm not that</p> <p>7 technical --</p> <p>8 Q That's very in depth.</p> <p>9 A Yeah.</p> <p>10 Q Okay, I get it. But basically --</p> <p>11 A But these are scripts -- so TLETS has a certain</p> <p>12 mask that you have to enter, enter -- the way information</p> <p>13 is entered. It's not -- it's not very easy. They use a</p> <p>14 bunch of shorthand codes, kind of like what court</p> <p>15 reporters would do sometimes when they're doing their</p> <p>16 stuff.</p> <p>17 Well, it's hard to teach laymen to do that. So</p> <p>18 what we do is we then give them a GUI that allow them to</p> <p>19 put in basic things. And then once we put those things</p> <p>20 in there, there are scripts behind it that says, okay,</p> <p>21 this is this shorthand code, and then you add this, and</p> <p>22 then it gets a return.</p> <p>23 My knowledge is that looks like it's some kind</p> <p>24 of record return back from them saying this is your</p> <p>25 record. It could be a TLETS number, it could be, it does</p>
Page 191	Page 193
<p>1 the search parameter.</p> <p>2 Q Okay. And so at 11:17:32 --</p> <p>3 A He entered his information into the computer.</p> <p>4 Q And it came back.</p> <p>5 A Yes, at some point.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. And 11:17:32, there's two -- there's</p> <p>7 three entries with 11:17:32. Does this mean that Deputy</p> <p>8 Babb ran the computer checks on Mr. Schott and those</p> <p>9 computer checks came back? Is that correct?</p> <p>10 A Yes, it's the script that runs all that.</p> <p>11 Q Okay. So at 11:17:32, Officer Deputy Babb had</p> <p>12 the computer information on Mr. Schott.</p> <p>13 MR. FRIGERIO: Objection, form.</p> <p>14 A It appears that way.</p> <p>15 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. And then I want to ask</p> <p>16 about that last one, 11:17:32, Supplemental Person Record</p> <p>17 was added for Alek Schott. What is a Supplemental Person</p> <p>18 Record?</p> <p>19 A I would have to check, but it looks like</p> <p>20 that -- so he not only ran it by date of birth, I think</p> <p>21 he ran him by his driver's license. Is there a way to</p> <p>22 verify his driver's license? I think --</p> <p>23 Q Yes. I can tell you what page that is.</p> <p>24 A Is it here? His driver's license --</p> <p>25 Q It's BC 8337, in that --</p>	<p>1 not -- it does not appear to be anything connected</p> <p>2 directly with Mr. Schott or any other ID that we would</p> <p>3 normally run.</p> <p>4 Q Okay. So as I understood what you just said,</p> <p>5 that supplemental person record seems to be the return of</p> <p>6 any information on Mr. Schott from the --</p> <p>7 A It's possible, yes, ma'am.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. I think that we can skip a lot of the</p> <p>9 rest of that. I have one question. Do you see where it</p> <p>10 says by 5111? There's several entries there, starts</p> <p>11 around 12:22 --</p> <p>12 A Yes.</p> <p>13 Q -- to 12:22:48.</p> <p>14 A Yes, I see that.</p> <p>15 Q And does that indicate that the officer</p> <p>16 identified as 5111 arrived and then was available nearly</p> <p>17 a couple minutes later? I don't know how else to</p> <p>18 describe it.</p> <p>19 A It's not a couple of minutes, it's seconds. He</p> <p>20 probably arrived on scene, attached himself to the call,</p> <p>21 and then cleared himself to make himself available while</p> <p>22 he's assisting to, if another call or dispatch needed</p> <p>23 him, he would show available as an available unit and he</p> <p>24 could leave.</p> <p>25 Q Okay, got it. Understand. That's helpful.</p>

Page 194	Page 196
<p>1 And then the last two lines here under 3:17</p> <p>2 "Read Comment User Action." Do you see those? The last</p> <p>3 two lines in the activity log.</p> <p>4 A Read Comment, yes.</p> <p>5 Q What do those lines mean?</p> <p>6 A I believe those refer back to -- so this is</p> <p>7 kind of funny. I believe they refer back to these</p> <p>8 comments up here. What time was that again?</p> <p>9 Q Okay. What comments are you looking at?</p> <p>10 A 12:31, right? No. What are the times on</p> <p>11 those? I can't even --</p> <p>12 MR. FRIGERIO: 12:31:20.</p> <p>13 THE WITNESS: No, they're not 12:31:20.</p> <p>14 They're actually --</p> <p>15 Q (By Ms. Hebert) 3/17, 8:06:56. And 3/17,</p> <p>16 8:09:17. So I don't understand what that is. I just</p> <p>17 want to know, that's it.</p> <p>18 A I can find out. I don't know. It -- could it</p> <p>19 be some kind of timestamp that it goes into. I don't</p> <p>20 know. But I can find out.</p> <p>21 Q Sure.</p> <p>22 A Because I, I -- I don't know. There are</p> <p>23 things -- I believe there are timers and stuff that allow</p> <p>24 us to change a record up to a certain point.</p> <p>25 Q Uh-huh.</p>	<p>1 exhibit, and we don't have this one before. It's exhibit</p> <p>2 MM in our binders.</p> <p>3 MR. WINDHAM: Are we on 60, just so I'm clear?</p> <p>4 THE REPORTER: Yes.</p> <p>5 (Discussion off the record.)</p> <p>6 MR. WINDHAM: Here you go.</p> <p>7 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. And the only reason I</p> <p>8 want to look at this document is -- this is an email</p> <p>9 exchange, is it not?</p> <p>10 A It is.</p> <p>11 Q And you see the attachment, it says</p> <p>12 DepBabbCiteQ1CY2022. Did I read that correctly, the</p> <p>13 attachment at the top?</p> <p>14 A Yes.</p> <p>15 Q Did I read that attachment name correctly?</p> <p>16 A D-E-P.</p> <p>17 Q Dep --</p> <p>18 A B-A-B-B.</p> <p>19 Q Uh-huh.</p> <p>20 A CiteQ1CY2022.</p> <p>21 Q Okay. And does that moniker, that name, mean</p> <p>22 that that document is Deputy Babb's citations from the</p> <p>23 first quarter of 2022?</p> <p>24 A I have no idea.</p> <p>25 Q Let's look at Exhibit S in the binders. We're</p>
Page 195	Page 197
<p>1 A That could be closing it out.</p> <p>2 Q Okay.</p> <p>3 A But I don't know. I would have to ask my CAD</p> <p>4 administrator.</p> <p>5 Q Okay.</p> <p>6 MS. HEBERT: Charles, how do you want to handle</p> <p>7 that?</p> <p>8 THE WITNESS: Provide the answer?</p> <p>9 MR. FRIGERIO: We'll provide the answer.</p> <p>10 MS. HEBERT: Okay.</p> <p>11 THE WITNESS: Yeah, there's nothing --</p> <p>12 Q (By Ms. Hebert) We're not hiding the ball here.</p> <p>13 I just don't know what it means.</p> <p>14 A Yeah, you know, like I said, I don't know why</p> <p>15 the reports even printed out differently.</p> <p>16 Q Sure. Okay.</p> <p>17 A Do you know --</p> <p>18 MR. LEAKE: Christie, when you guys are ready,</p> <p>19 I would love a bathroom break.</p> <p>20 MS. HEBERT: Sure. This is a good time for a</p> <p>21 bathroom break.</p> <p>22 THE REPORTER: We're off the record.</p> <p>23 (Recess from 2:56 p.m. to 3:05 p.m.)</p> <p>24 THE REPORTER: We are back on the record.</p> <p>25 MS. HEBERT: I'm going to introduce another</p>	<p>1 going to mark this Exhibit 61.</p> <p>2 MR. WINDHAM: Give me a moment.</p> <p>3 THE WITNESS: I might need a couple of paper</p> <p>4 clips so I don't -- so these don't start running</p> <p>5 together.</p> <p>6 (Discussion off the record.)</p> <p>7 Q (By Ms. Hebert) I'm handing you what's been</p> <p>8 marked Exhibit 61. Can you flip through it? And we'll</p> <p>9 start on the first page. Is this a warning citation? We</p> <p>10 talked about these documents earlier.</p> <p>11 A Yes.</p> <p>12 Q Is this a warning record?</p> <p>13 A It is.</p> <p>14 Q And what's the date on this warning record? Is</p> <p>15 the date 1/10/2022?</p> <p>16 A Yes.</p> <p>17 Q Okay. And we'll flip to the middle. I'm</p> <p>18 looking at Page 81.</p> <p>19 A Mine's labeled -- okay.</p> <p>20 Q Is this another citation?</p> <p>21 A This is a citation.</p> <p>22 Q This is a citation, document citation record?</p> <p>23 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>24 Q So this person got an actual citation?</p> <p>25 A They did.</p>

Page 198	Page 200
<p>1 Q And is the date on this document 2/20/2022?</p> <p>2 A Yes.</p> <p>3 Q I'm going to flip to the very last one. And is</p> <p>4 this another warning, Page 159?</p> <p>5 A Yes.</p> <p>6 Q And is the date on this record 3/30/2022?</p> <p>7 A Yes.</p> <p>8 Q Okay. Now, the first page is 1, the last page</p> <p>9 is 159. So would it be fair to say there's 159 pages in</p> <p>10 here?</p> <p>11 A Yes.</p> <p>12 Q I'm not trying to trick you.</p> <p>13 A No, no, I agree.</p> <p>14 Q Would it be fair to say that there are 159</p> <p>15 citations or warnings in here?</p> <p>16 A Individual documents, yes.</p> <p>17 Q Correct. And would it be fair to say that</p> <p>18 these citations or warnings run from 1/10/2022 to</p> <p>19 3/30/2022?</p> <p>20 A Yes.</p> <p>21 Q So would this document be the document that was</p> <p>22 attached to the email we just looked at? That would be</p> <p>23 the -- with citations from Q1 of 2022 for Deputy Babb.</p> <p>24 A As I was never asked for this document, I did</p> <p>25 not provide the document. I would assert that that makes</p>	<p>1 it is. But just for the record, I'm saying I did not</p> <p>2 provide this, so I have never seen the two.</p> <p>3 Q Sure. And can you -- look at the first page</p> <p>4 of -- I don't know what exhibit that is -- 61. The first</p> <p>5 page of 61.</p> <p>6 A Yes.</p> <p>7 Q And what officer issued this warning?</p> <p>8 A Deputy Babb.</p> <p>9 Q Okay. And can you just flip through here? I'm</p> <p>10 going to tell you that I have looked through this</p> <p>11 document --</p> <p>12 A I have no doubt.</p> <p>13 Q That every one is from Deputy Babb?</p> <p>14 A Right. And I have no doubt that everything</p> <p>15 that you find right here should be in Exhibit 57.</p> <p>16 Q Okay. Thanks. That's helpful.</p> <p>17 A Based on the timestamps.</p> <p>18 Q Sure. And will you just flip through, and</p> <p>19 based on my review of these documents, every single one</p> <p>20 every them says, "No Search."</p> <p>21 A Okay.</p> <p>22 Q So would you just flip through -- if you see</p> <p>23 one that says, "Search," you tell me. But I have</p> <p>24 reviewed it at length and I have not seen one. So if I'm</p> <p>25 missing something, let me know.</p>
Page 199	Page 201
<p>1 sense, but I cannot testify that they are one and the</p> <p>2 same.</p> <p>3 Q Sure. And the County provided this document to</p> <p>4 us. So this document you're seeing was the attachment to</p> <p>5 BC 8453.</p> <p>6 A This was a -- this was provided through an open</p> <p>7 records act, right?</p> <p>8 Q No. This was provided through the production.</p> <p>9 A Uh, no.</p> <p>10 MR. WINDHAM: There are Bates stamps at the</p> <p>11 bottom.</p> <p>12 Q (By Ms. Hebert) On this one? I don't know</p> <p>13 about the M. I don't see the Bates stamps.</p> <p>14 A Because I've never seen this, so I don't --</p> <p>15 Q I'll tell you what the Bates label is. Hold on</p> <p>16 one second. On the email I didn't see one either.</p> <p>17 A And I didn't know anybody else was providing.</p> <p>18 I see that Brittany Malloy -- this was just this year, so</p> <p>19 it may be that someone asked, but I --</p> <p>20 Q I have this email, that was MM, was BC 8453.</p> <p>21 Does -- that email was produced as 8453. I'm not sure</p> <p>22 why there's no Bates stamps on the bottom.</p> <p>23 A Well, I have no reason to dispute it.</p> <p>24 Q Sure.</p> <p>25 A If that's what you're saying it is, that's what</p>	<p>1 A (Reviewing document.)</p> <p>2 Q And while you're doing that, can we go off the</p> <p>3 record for a second?</p> <p>4 THE REPORTER: Uh-huh.</p> <p>5 (Discussion off the record.)</p> <p>6 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Let's go back on the record and</p> <p>7 we'll see if we can expedite this process.</p> <p>8 A I'm sorry.</p> <p>9 Q That's all right.</p> <p>10 A But this is a court hearing, and I want to make</p> <p>11 sure that I'm --</p> <p>12 Q Captain, I just want to be clear I know you're</p> <p>13 busting it here. I know you're busting it here. I know</p> <p>14 you're trying your best to answer these questions and go</p> <p>15 through these documents with me to the best of your</p> <p>16 ability. I get it.</p> <p>17 MR. WINDHAM: Are we on the record? I just</p> <p>18 want to make sure.</p> <p>19 THE REPORTER: Yes.</p> <p>20 MS. HEBERT: I understand.</p> <p>21 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. So I want to filter</p> <p>22 this.</p> <p>23 A But based on the 159 documents that you have in</p> <p>24 front of me, I would safely assert that you are correct,</p> <p>25 that they all, these say, "No Search."</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 202</p> <p>1 Q I think that's fine for now. We'll just leave 2 it at that.</p> <p>3 A But I just want to qualify, it's these 159 4 documents. This does not necessarily mean --</p> <p>5 Q Sure.</p> <p>6 A -- that this is everything he did in that 7 quarter.</p> <p>8 Q Understood.</p> <p>9 A Okay.</p> <p>10 Q Understood.</p> <p>11 A All right. I'm good with what I said.</p> <p>12 Q Okay. I want to look at another exhibit. 13 Sorry about that. We're going to go to OO for us. And 14 again, we talked about previously -- this is on my 15 computer. Shoot.</p> <p>16 We previously talked about the fact that there 17 was a phone forensic examination in this case.</p> <p>18 A Yes, you did tell me.</p> <p>19 Q And the results from that phone forensic 20 examination were produced. I'm going to represent to you 21 that this document that we are about to look at is a 22 document that was obtained from Officer Gereb's personal 23 phone, via his text messages, or via his phones.</p> <p>24 MR. WINDHAM: Want to introduce that?</p> <p>25 MS. HEBERT: Yeah, I'm going to introduce what</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 204</p> <p>1 familiar that they are assigned to that unit, Gang Intel. 2 If you would go down, please, that looks correct. Brian 3 Curtis -- this is a relatively new list. But yes, it 4 does look to be, for the Organized Crime Division that 5 looks correct.</p> <p>6 Q Okay. And for that Organized Crime Division, I 7 just want to ask a couple of questions. I see that under 8 Gang Intel, we see that Officer Pete Gamboa is listed.</p> <p>9 A Yes.</p> <p>10 Q And that he has two phone numbers listed for 11 him.</p> <p>12 A He does.</p> <p>13 Q But only one of those phone numbers was 14 provided for the forensic examination.</p> <p>15 A Understood.</p> <p>16 Q Why was the personal phone not provided?</p> <p>17 A I was not asked to. When that came up in the 18 question, the only -- on the order --</p> <p>19 Q Sure.</p> <p>20 A -- it specifically said for Gereb's.</p> <p>21 Q Let's look at the order granting Plaintiff's 22 motion to compel, which is L in our records.</p> <p>23 Okay. I'm going to mark this Exhibit 63. I'm 24 handing you what's been marked Exhibit 63.</p> <p>25 A Okay.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 203</p> <p>1 is being marked as Exhibit 62.</p> <p>2 A I hope you have better luck with these phone 3 dumps than we do. They usually shut down my computer.</p> <p>4 Q (By Ms. Hebert) So this is a document that was 5 produced as an attachment in the attachment folders.</p> <p>6 A Oh, okay.</p> <p>7 Q From -- oh, shoot.</p> <p>8 MR. FRIGERIO: Do you have a copy?</p> <p>9 MR. WINDHAM: So it's going to be this. I just 10 handed her a cover sheet.</p> <p>11 MR. FRIGERIO: Oh.</p> <p>12 MS. HEBERT: And this is within the forensic 13 examinations. We'll email a copy of this to Molly. So 14 you can get it that way, or you can pull it from the 15 examination results.</p> <p>16 Q (By Ms. Hebert) So this is from Officer Gereb's 17 personal phone and this was an attachment recovered by 18 the forensic examiner. And as I understand it, this is a 19 phone list. It says at the top -- what does it say at 20 the top?</p> <p>21 A Organized Crime Division.</p> <p>22 Q So just based purely on this record obtained 23 from Officer Gereb's phone, is this an Organized Crime 24 Division phone list?</p> <p>25 A The covert looks like everybody there I am</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 205</p> <p>1 Q And I want to go to Page 4. And I'm going to 2 look at Item 2 on Page 4. I'm going to read that to you.</p> <p>3 "Defendants shall surrender the cell phones of 4 Defendant Joel Babb, Defendant Martin A Molina III, 5 Deputy Joe Gereb and Sergeant Pedro Gamboa (also known as 6 Pete Gamboa) to Flashback or other vendor within seven 7 days of this order."</p> <p>8 Did I read that correctly?</p> <p>9 A You did.</p> <p>10 Q So my understanding, based on this phone list, 11 is that Sergeant Gamboa had two phones; is that correct?</p> <p>12 A Yes.</p> <p>13 Q But only one of those phones was surrendered to 14 Flashback for forensic examination; is that correct?</p> <p>15 A Yes.</p> <p>16 Q I'm going to -- also represent to you that 17 Officer Babb testified that he had a County phone as an 18 instructor and that he may have used that phone to text 19 other County employees about County business. And do you 20 know what the number of Deputy Babb's phone was while he 21 was an instructor for the County?</p> <p>22 A I don't know it, but I do have record of it.</p> <p>23 Q Okay. Has that phone been searched for records 24 related to criminal interdiction?</p> <p>25 A I was told that because it -- he did not</p>

Page 206	Page 208
<p>1 receive it until after he was done with criminal</p> <p>2 interdiction that we did not provide it.</p> <p>3 Q Understood. So was that phone searched?</p> <p>4 A No.</p> <p>5 Q Okay. And why was that phone not provided?</p> <p>6 The order says shall surrender the cell phones of</p> <p>7 Defendant Joel Babb, Molina, Gereb, and Sergeant Pedro</p> <p>8 Gamboa. How come the County phone assigned to Deputy</p> <p>9 Babb was not surrendered?</p> <p>10 A I was not instructed to take that phone up.</p> <p>11 Q I mean, the Court did instruct Defendants -- is</p> <p>12 that --</p> <p>13 MR. FRIGERIO: If they use -- my understanding</p> <p>14 is if they were used in, for business purposes. Just</p> <p>15 because his number's listed doesn't mean Gamboa ever used</p> <p>16 his personal phone for County business.</p> <p>17 MS. HEBERT: Sure. We can take this back to</p> <p>18 the Court and say that -- and fight about it. But the</p> <p>19 Court did order the phones of these folks listed -- and</p> <p>20 we weren't even appraised [sic] that these other phones</p> <p>21 existed.</p> <p>22 We can fight about it, but I'm going to say</p> <p>23 that the order plainly says that these cell phones were</p> <p>24 supposed to be surrendered. And quibbling about what</p> <p>25 they were used for on a particular situation I think is</p>	<p>1 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. I want to scroll to the</p> <p>2 bottom of this Organized Crime Division chart. And you</p> <p>3 see where Canine is listed?</p> <p>4 A I do.</p> <p>5 Q Do you see how Deputy Molina is listed under</p> <p>6 Canine?</p> <p>7 A I do.</p> <p>8 Q Is there any other Canine officer listed as</p> <p>9 part of the Organized Crime Division?</p> <p>10 A At this time, no.</p> <p>11 Q Why is Deputy Molina listed as part of the</p> <p>12 Organized Crime Division?</p> <p>13 A That's where he, his assignment is. He's</p> <p>14 attached to them.</p> <p>15 Q How long has he been attached to the Organized</p> <p>16 Crime Division?</p> <p>17 A I don't know, ma'am. I don't keep track of</p> <p>18 day-to-day --</p> <p>19 Q Sure. Who would know?</p> <p>20 A Probably Deputy Molina. But -- or his, one of</p> <p>21 his sergeants. Do you know?</p> <p>22 SERGEANT GAMBOA: So he was assigned --</p> <p>23 MS. HEBERT: Okay, we're going to pause and go</p> <p>24 off the record.</p> <p>25 THE REPORTER: We're off.</p>
Page 207	Page 209
<p>1 going to get us in hot water.</p> <p>2 So Charles, if you would let me know by</p> <p>3 tomorrow what the County's position is on these</p> <p>4 additional phones that were not surrendered for forensic</p> <p>5 examination, that would be appreciated.</p> <p>6 It is Plaintiff's position that all phones</p> <p>7 should have been surrendered as part of this Court's</p> <p>8 order, especially phones listed on the Organized Crime</p> <p>9 Unit and phones given to one of these folks by the</p> <p>10 County.</p> <p>11 MR. FRIGERIO: It also said that Defendant</p> <p>12 Babb, Molina and Gereb used their cell phones within the</p> <p>13 scope of their employment with the Bexar County Sheriff's</p> <p>14 Office in making traffic stops, including using their</p> <p>15 phones to communicate with Sergeant Gamboa. I mean,</p> <p>16 that's the way I read it.</p> <p>17 MS. HEBERT: Sure.</p> <p>18 MR. FRIGERIO: Not that their personal phones</p> <p>19 would be subjected, although the only one -- the only one</p> <p>20 that was personal was Gereb, and that's because he did</p> <p>21 use it.</p> <p>22 MS. HEBERT: Sure. We can -- let us know the</p> <p>23 County's position on the additional phones.</p> <p>24 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Let's see. What else?</p> <p>25 (Counsel conferring off the record.)</p>	<p>1 (Discussion off the record.)</p> <p>2 THE REPORTER: We're back on the record.</p> <p>3 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Captain, do you know what date</p> <p>4 this Organized Crime Division phone list is from?</p> <p>5 A I don't, but based on the listing of officers</p> <p>6 and movement that we've had, this is probably March or</p> <p>7 April of this year.</p> <p>8 Q And "this year" being 2024?</p> <p>9 A Maybe May. Yes, 2024. It's a 2024 list.</p> <p>10 Q Okay.</p> <p>11 A Because there was a change in leadership and</p> <p>12 the new person is already on there.</p> <p>13 Q And do you know when Deputy Molina was assigned</p> <p>14 to the Organized Crime Division?</p> <p>15 A The exact date, no. I know he was there at</p> <p>16 least March 16th, 2022, but he was -- prior to that,</p> <p>17 there was only one other Canine assigned prior to him,</p> <p>18 which was Gerard Tubbs, but he retired or resigned and</p> <p>19 went to another agency.</p> <p>20 Q Okay. So let me unpack that. The original</p> <p>21 Canine assigned to the Organized Crime Division was with</p> <p>22 someone named Officer Tubbs.</p> <p>23 A Gerard Tubbs.</p> <p>24 Q Gerard Tubbs. And Gerard Tubbs retired at some</p> <p>25 point.</p>

Page 210	Page 212
<p>1 A Yes, left the agency.</p> <p>2 Q And you don't know exactly when Officer Tubbs</p> <p>3 retired.</p> <p>4 A I would say around the early part of 2022 or</p> <p>5 latter part of 2021.</p> <p>6 Q Fine. And as of March 16th, 2022, Deputy</p> <p>7 Molina was the Canine officer assigned to the Organized</p> <p>8 Crime Division?</p> <p>9 A Yes.</p> <p>10 MR. FRIGERIO: What was the date on that again,</p> <p>11 that he was assigned to Organized Crime?</p> <p>12 THE WITNESS: We know it's before March 16th,</p> <p>13 but I want to say -- 2022, but I want to say it was</p> <p>14 either -- the way retirements go, it's usually the latter</p> <p>15 part. But knowing 2022 was an election year, he probably</p> <p>16 would have resigned latter part of 2023 -- or '21 to '22.</p> <p>17 Because I know he took a chief's spot somewhere.</p> <p>18 MS. HEBERT: Okay. We're going to go off the</p> <p>19 record. Y'all are talking on the record.</p> <p>20 THE WITNESS: Oh.</p> <p>21 MS. HEBERT: And I don't want that to be</p> <p>22 captured by Molly.</p> <p>23 THE REPORTER: Okay. We're off the record.</p> <p>24 (Discussion off the record.)</p> <p>25 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Going back on the record. We</p>	<p>1 agency are very careful about not alienating and using</p> <p>2 derogatory -- derogatory tones or messaging, so that</p> <p>3 could be something that would be -- it's usually on a</p> <p>4 case-by-case basis.</p> <p>5 Q Sure.</p> <p>6 A But that's kind of the direction that we have</p> <p>7 given.</p> <p>8 Q Understood. So I mean, I guess the way I hear</p> <p>9 what you're saying is if an officer puts some, like some</p> <p>10 sticker or some sign with a racist slogan or a naked</p> <p>11 woman in their patrol car --</p> <p>12 A They're in trouble.</p> <p>13 Q -- someone would have something to say about</p> <p>14 it.</p> <p>15 A More than something to say, but yes, ma'am.</p> <p>16 Q And I suppose there's some -- how would the</p> <p>17 County know if an officer had those kind of pictures?</p> <p>18 A How would they know? There are inspections.</p> <p>19 There are -- the vehicles go to different areas to get</p> <p>20 maintenance and things like that, so it would just -- you</p> <p>21 know, and other people seeing it. Officers are real good</p> <p>22 about telling on each other.</p> <p>23 Q Okay. So let me unpack that. So if an officer</p> <p>24 had a picture or a sign or a logo in their patrol car</p> <p>25 that they weren't supposed to have, the County would have</p>
Page 211	Page 213
<p>1 are finished with Exhibit 63, the Organized Crime</p> <p>2 Division. We can leave that. I want to just ask a</p> <p>3 couple of questions about patrol cars and the use of</p> <p>4 patrol cars.</p> <p>5 A Okay.</p> <p>6 Q Under County policy, is it okay for an officer</p> <p>7 to complete reports in his patrol car?</p> <p>8 A Yes.</p> <p>9 Q Okay. And I guess would it be fair to say that</p> <p>10 an officer's patrol car is effectively his or her mobile</p> <p>11 office?</p> <p>12 A Yes.</p> <p>13 Q Under County policy, under the County's rules,</p> <p>14 what are the rules for how an officer can decorate his</p> <p>15 patrol car? And by that I mean like -- could I display</p> <p>16 pictures of my family in my patrol car?</p> <p>17 A There's nothing against it.</p> <p>18 Q Okay. Pictures of my dog?</p> <p>19 A Nothing against it.</p> <p>20 Q What about stickers like "Protect the Cops"?</p> <p>21 A There's -- I don't think -- I don't think we've</p> <p>22 ever had a reference to something like that. Officers</p> <p>23 have used like the thin blue line or the Veterans or</p> <p>24 police officer flag, which has the blue line instead of</p> <p>25 the red line, or the thin -- you know. But we as an</p>	<p>1 something to say about it?</p> <p>2 A Yes.</p> <p>3 Q When an officer makes a traffic stop and the</p> <p>4 officer turns on their lights or their siren or one of</p> <p>5 the two, does the driver have to stop?</p> <p>6 A No. Driver doesn't have to stop.</p> <p>7 Q Okay. So -- if a police officer turns on</p> <p>8 their --</p> <p>9 A But there's consequences, but --</p> <p>10 Q Okay. Tell me -- all right. So let me back up</p> <p>11 there. So if an officer turns on his lights --</p> <p>12 A Uh-huh.</p> <p>13 Q -- and is signaling to a driver to pull over --</p> <p>14 A Right.</p> <p>15 Q -- if the driver does not pull over, what are</p> <p>16 the consequences?</p> <p>17 A He can be charged with evading in a motor</p> <p>18 vehicle.</p> <p>19 Q Okay. So pull over and stop or suffer the</p> <p>20 consequences.</p> <p>21 A You are -- when you are directed to, as long</p> <p>22 as, you know, you have something that's complying, but</p> <p>23 there are -- the statute allows, and we allow as an</p> <p>24 agency -- you know, you're a single woman and we're in</p> <p>25 the middle of the country, we're not going to make you</p>

<p style="text-align: right;">Page 214</p> <p>1 pull over on a dirt road in the middle of nowhere, right?</p> <p>2 You indicate to the officer that, hey, I acknowledge you,</p> <p>3 and then we go up to the nearest lighted area, populated</p> <p>4 area that you feel safe.</p> <p>5 Q Sure.</p> <p>6 A Now, that doesn't mean that, hey, I don't like</p> <p>7 this gas station, but I want to go to the gas station 20</p> <p>8 miles away to my house. It means that, you know, you</p> <p>9 acknowledge the officer and do that.</p> <p>10 There are -- in order to do patrol stops, you</p> <p>11 know, there's markings that you have to have, things like</p> <p>12 that. And then if the vehicle -- because the city or the</p> <p>13 state does have vehicles or allow vehicles that are</p> <p>14 unmarked, there are certain rules that go along with</p> <p>15 that, right?</p> <p>16 They're allowed to call dispatch and say, hey,</p> <p>17 I'm being pulled over on this. And whether they get</p> <p>18 through San Antonio Police Department or whether Bexar</p> <p>19 County agency that we dispatch for 22 people, Medina</p> <p>20 County, they will identify where they're at and they will</p> <p>21 call the affected jurisdiction and say, "Listen, are you</p> <p>22 conducting a traffic stop?"</p> <p>23 Q Sure.</p> <p>24 A But yes, under normal indications, when your</p> <p>25 lights and sirens come on, you comply with the officer</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 216</p> <p>1 Q -- in Mr. Schott's vehicle. And we looked at</p> <p>2 the SPEARS/RMS report, which was Exhibit 8, where Molina</p> <p>3 didn't say anything about finding trace marijuana in</p> <p>4 Mr. Schott's vehicle. Is Molina being investigated for</p> <p>5 any kind of inconsistency with his reporting?</p> <p>6 A No.</p> <p>7 Q Why not?</p> <p>8 A Because I think we're confusing many factors</p> <p>9 that go into play. The reports, like it says, there was</p> <p>10 no contraband found on the citation, or it is usually --</p> <p>11 they're not putting down that they're seizing anything.</p> <p>12 But there are things that, you know, you find leaves, you</p> <p>13 find remnants, things that don't equate what the DA takes</p> <p>14 as possession. So it's not documented in the report as</p> <p>15 contraband.</p> <p>16 I don't know -- I remember reading somewhere</p> <p>17 during all of this stuff that we've provided that there</p> <p>18 was some remnants. That's all I can remember. But it</p> <p>19 wasn't a testable or usable amount. So it's not --</p> <p>20 depending on the perception of the officer, it's not</p> <p>21 necessarily considered contraband because he's not taking</p> <p>22 anything away from anybody.</p> <p>23 Q Sure. Let's look at the Molina report again.</p> <p>24 MS. HEBERT: Can you help me find that? It's</p> <p>25 Exhibit 27. I'll hand that to you.</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 215</p> <p>1 and you pull over.</p> <p>2 Q Thanks. That's all I wanted to know.</p> <p>3 Under County policy, what should an officer do</p> <p>4 if a driver tries to leave the traffic stop before the</p> <p>5 officer releases the driver?</p> <p>6 A Under the County policy?</p> <p>7 Q So basically, what's an officer supposed to do</p> <p>8 if the driver tries to leave before the officer says</p> <p>9 you're free to go?</p> <p>10 A I don't recall a policy that directly addresses</p> <p>11 that. It is a violation of statute, and it could be</p> <p>12 considered evading, resisting arrest or -- a traffic stop</p> <p>13 is a form of arrest.</p> <p>14 Q Okay. I have one really more line of</p> <p>15 questioning and then I'm going to say we're done, God</p> <p>16 willing.</p> <p>17 We talked about the inconsistencies in Deputy</p> <p>18 Molina's SPEARS report which didn't say he found</p> <p>19 anything, and then the trace Canine Deployment Report.</p> <p>20 Why isn't Molina being investigated for that?</p> <p>21 A For what?</p> <p>22 Q We can look at the documents again, but on the</p> <p>23 Canine Deployment Detail Report, we saw how the trace</p> <p>24 marijuana was discovered --</p> <p>25 A Uh-huh.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 217</p> <p>1 MR. WINDHAM: His supplemental?</p> <p>2 MS. HEBERT: No, just the deployment. The</p> <p>3 deployment record.</p> <p>4 MR. WINDHAM: Oh.</p> <p>5 MS. HEBERT: It's not going to be in there for</p> <p>6 you.</p> <p>7 MR. WINDHAM: This?</p> <p>8 MS. HEBERT: Thanks.</p> <p>9 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Let's look at this again.</p> <p>10 We're looking at Plaintiff's Exhibit 27. Do you see</p> <p>11 where it says the trace amount, the line?</p> <p>12 A Yes.</p> <p>13 Q It doesn't say leaves, does it?</p> <p>14 A I don't know what selections are available for</p> <p>15 that --</p> <p>16 Q Sure.</p> <p>17 A -- field.</p> <p>18 Q It says marijuana; is that correct?</p> <p>19 A It does say marijuana.</p> <p>20 Q It does not say leaves, correct?</p> <p>21 A It does not say leaves.</p> <p>22 Q It does not say unidentified subject, does it?</p> <p>23 A Nope.</p> <p>24 Q It says marijuana.</p> <p>25 A It does.</p>

Page 218

1 Q And there was no marijuana tested from
2 Mr. Shots' vehicle, was there?
3 A There -- we do not have field tests for
4 marijuana.
5 Q Sure. Was there any field tests done on any
6 materials from Mr. Schott's vehicle?
7 A I'm not aware.
8 Q So you can't say whether this marijuana was
9 actually found or not?
10 A No. As I said, it was listed in one of the
11 reports that there were some possible remnants, but that
12 was about it.
13 Q Okay. What report?
14 A I don't remember. I've provided over 10,000
15 documents, ma'am.
16 Q Sure.
17 A I don't -- there's a lot of stuff that I've
18 provided. So I just -- that is the best of my recall.
19 The only thing I can do is try to explain the
20 discrepancy. But you know, when it comes to that, you
21 would have to talk to Deputy Molina.
22 Q Sure.
23 MS. HEBERT: And Charles, I'm going to call for
24 the production of any report that says there was
25 substance found in Mr. Schott's vehicle.

Page 219

1 MR. FRIGERIO: There is none other than Exhibit
2 27.
3 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Okay. So this is the only
4 document saying that there was a substance found --
5 MR. FRIGERIO: Yes.
6 MS. HEBERT: -- in Mr. Schott's vehicle?
7 THE WITNESS: Okay.
8 Q (By Ms. Hebert) Is this the only document
9 saying that there was a substance found in Mr. Schott's
10 vehicle?
11 A I believe so, but I don't -- I can't recall
12 completely.
13 MS. HEBERT: Okay. No further questions at
14 this time.
15 MR. FRIGERIO: Reserve our questions.
16 THE REPORTER: We are off the record. The
17 deposition is concluded.
18 MR. WINDHAM: Did Blair have any questions?
19 I'm sorry to do that.
20 MR. LEAKE: No, it's okay. I'm likewise
21 reserving.
22 MS. HEBERT: Sorry, Blair, we forgot about you
23 for a minute.
24 THE REPORTER: Sorry about that.
25 (Deposition concluded at 3:42 p.m.)

Page 220

1 CHANGES AND SIGNATURE OF WITNESS
2
3 WITNESS NAME: AARON VON MULDAU
4
5 DATE OF DEPOSITION: JULY 17, 2024
6
7 PAGE/LINE CHANGE REASON FOR CHANGE
8 _____
9 _____
10 _____
11 _____
12 _____
13 _____
14 _____
15 _____
16 _____
17 _____
18 _____
19
20 I, AARON VON MULDAU, have read the foregoing
21 deposition and hereby affix my signature that same is
22 true and correct, except as noted above.
23
24 _____
25 AARON VON MULDAU

Page 221

1 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
2 FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
3 SAN ANTONIO DIVISION
4
5 ALEK SCHOTT, §
6 Plaintiff, §
7 §
8 VS. §
9 §
10 JOEL BABB, in his individual § CIVIL ACTION NO.
11 and official capacity; § 5:23-cv-00706-OLG-RBF
12 MARTIN A. MOLINA III, in his §
13 individual and official §
14 capacity; JAVIER SALAZAR, in §
15 his individual and official §
16 capacity; and BEXAR COUNTY, §
17 TEXAS, §
18 Defendants. §
19
20 -----
21 REPORTER'S CERTIFICATION
22 ORAL DEPOSITION OF AARON VON MULDAU
23 JULY 17, 2024
24 -----
25 I, MOLLY CARTER, Certified Shorthand Reporter in and
for The State of Texas, hereby certify to the following:
That the witness, AARON VON MULDAU, was duly sworn
by the officer and that the transcript of the oral
deposition is a true record of the testimony given by the
witness;
I further certify that pursuant to FRCP Rule
30(e)(1), that the signature of the deponent:
XX was requested by the deponent or a party before

Page 222

1 the completion of the deposition and returned within 30
2 days from date of receipt of the transcript. If
3 returned, the attached Changes and Signature Page
4 contains any changes and the reasons therefor;
5 _____ was not requested by the deponent or a party
6 before the completion of the deposition.

7 I further certify that I am neither attorney nor
8 counsel for, related to, nor employed by any of the
9 parties to the action in which this testimony was taken.
10 Further, I am not a relative or employee of any attorney
11 of record in this cause, nor do I have a financial
12 interest in the action.

13 Certified to by me on this 29th day of July 2024.

14
15
16
17



18 MOLLY CARTER, CSR NO. 2613
19 Expires: 04/30/2024

20
21
22
23
24
25

Veritext Legal Solutions
Firm Registration No. 571
300 Throckmorton, Suite 1600
Fort Worth, Texas 76102
800-336-4000

Page 223

1 Charles Frigerio, Esquire

2 csf@frigeriolawfirm.com

3 July 30, Esquire

4 RE: Schott, Alek v. Babb, Joel Et Al

5 7/17/2024, Aaron von Muldau (#6710900)

6 The above-referenced transcript is available for
7 review.

8 Within the applicable timeframe, the witness should
9 read the testimony to verify its accuracy. If there are
10 any changes, the witness should note those with the
11 reason, on the attached Errata Sheet.

12 The witness should sign the Acknowledgment of
13 Deponent and Errata and return to the deposing attorney.

14 Copies should be sent to all counsel, and to Veritext at
15 clientservices-va@veritext.com

16 Return completed errata within 30 days from
17 receipt of testimony.

18 If the witness fails to do so within the time
19 allotted, the transcript may be used as if signed.

20
21

22 Yours,
23 Veritext Legal Solutions
24
25